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HON. CHARLES W. MILLER

IN CONTEST FOR CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR

MAN OF ABILILITY AND INDIVIDUALITY

Ex-Mayor of Goshen and Fornerly Attorney General of the State--"A Prime Good Man" Is His Reputation.

More and more, year by year, the great State of Indiana is asserting itself, making itself manifest in various directions. It is not notably great in its area of miles; in this respect it stands way down the list. It is formidable in its commercial life, in its industrial activities; no part of the world being without some of the products made within its borders. But great as it is in commercial and industrial activity, it is yet greater on the intellectual side. The fame of its schools are known far and near. And many are the travelers when seeking the shrine of knowledge that come within its gates to learn the ways of its making. Her sons in the literary effort are the blossoming of those rich fields that have been so industriously cultivated, and for so long. The country is richer in literary lore by reason of those sons. Wherever literature is known in its purest, highest and best form, a few names of Indiana's sons will also be there, and not the least among them. In fact, Indiana has contributed more than her quota according to number of inhabitants, and which is but so much proof of the prowess of the State in all matters that make for greatness of the commonwealth or the individual.

Notwithstanding the splendid parts played by Indiana in the aforementioned fields, the culmination is in the field of greater endeavor, wider publicity; in the field where most has been done to give name and stability to nations—that of statesmanship—commonly known as politics. Whatever great relief has come, whatever great change has come to buoy and to build up the drooping spirits of those that have known the heavy hand of injustice, have come through politics. Political upheavals have been the bloodless wars of the past, and yet not always so. The French Revolution had its preamble in blood before it crystalized to sterner war. As a rule they are the peaceful conflicts in a sense, yet as consequential as the arbitrament of bayonets. In fact, politics, statesmanship, is the beautiful substitute for war according to the nations of to-day. In view of which it says much for the quality of men who are selected as the political captains for the conservation of the civil peace and the promotion of the best interests.

Indiana has been remarkable in its output of men, its statesmen, many of whom have challenged the administration of the world. In recent years this is most notably so. It is most fertile in its resources for all classes of statesmen, furnishing without hesitancy a president or constable, either of whom will measure up to every requirement.

In the immediate contest for nomination for Governor of the State on the Republican ticket, a number of similar characters, in keeping with the best product of the State, have through their friends or otherwise, made it known, that they were not averse to standing for the distinguished honor. Among these is the well known Hon. Charles W. Miller, the announcement of whose name in connection with any office witin the gift of the State adds no less to the office than to the individual. Already Mr. Miller has served the State in a most fitting manner as Attorney-General. He ran for that office in 1892, making what was considered a brilliant race. His campaigning methods were admirable, winning him voters out of his party. When the ballots were counted the morning after the voting, Mr. Miller's work was there to show for itself; he was awal ahead of his ticket. Before this time he had been Mayor of Goshen, his home city, where his ability shone through his decisions and executive activities generally. Like another name of destiny, he was discovered in the mayor's chair.

But the presence of Mr. Miller in the chair as mayor of Goshen was by no means a complimentary offering, yet it was that everything, paradoxically as it appears. He had fought the battles of his party, had led it to victory—the office won was no less than a compliment for his telling services. Before this happening in 1888, he had met success at the bar as a lawyer, a fact which was important in his career; it learned him of men, he became acquainted with men, which means so much when the impress is for good. Every hand touch is the disarming of an "enemy" even when not making an actual friend. He became widely acquainted, of an acquaintanceship worth the while, which followed through his fortunes—always on hand because the compact was not infracted by the party of the first part.

Mr. Miller was well schooled in the profession that he chose for his life's vocation—the law. He is of Ann Arbor, an institution well farmed for thoroughness of its courses and general proficiency. It is especially notable owing to its law department, and its sons may be founded whereever litigation is known. Mr. Miller proved the stuff in him from a legal standpoint when Attorney-General, a position calling for the highest order of legal ability. How he acquitted himself has long since been known, and to whom such information counts most, it has doubtless put it into the minds of his friends to push him for the yet more exalted position, where his sphere of influence and activities would be still greater. A prime, good man is what is said of him; one who will hold up the position in accordance with the manner of the long line of illustrious that have also held it up—worthy of sitting where Morton, Hendricks, Williams, Chase, Hovey, Gray, Matthews, Mount, Durbin and Hanley sat.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES.

By "A White Man."

The true sentiment and spirit of Christmas was perhaps never more universally apparent than during the Christmas whose bright memories are now becoming absorbed in the festivities of the New Year.

The writer has seen many Christmases both in the old and this country, and has observed the characteristic celebrations among different peoples. Yuletide has been honored with the same delightful celebrations and customs everywhere and when these customs have at all differed, the difference has been only one of degrees. The same source and the one purpose may easily be traced in all parts of the world and among all "classes" of people. The same spirit of "good-will" seems naturally and religiously to underlie the Christmas meaning and ideas.

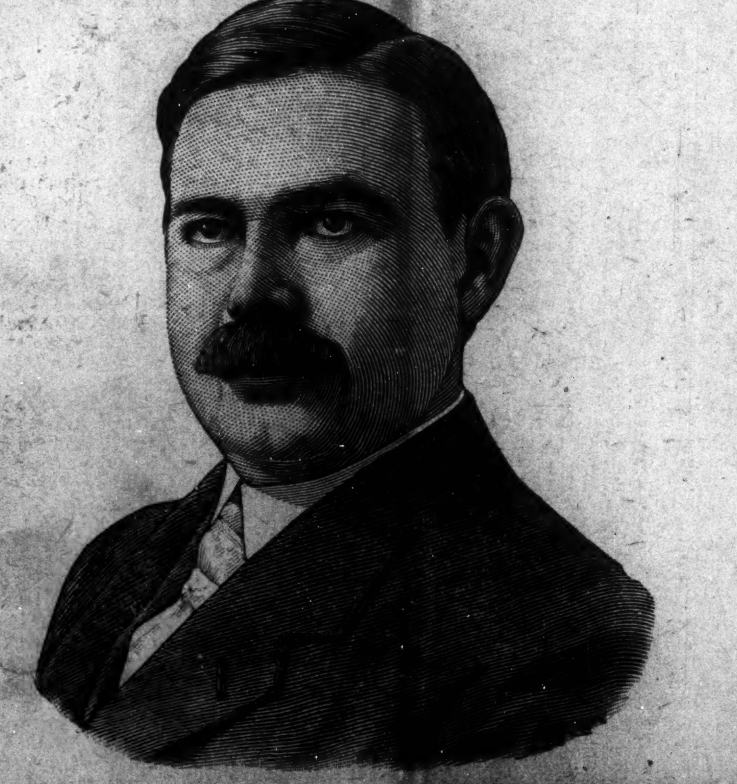
As a reflection of the recent excitement in the world of money, the marvelous extent to which the good-will of the people in all walks of life has been expressed is a most gratifying object lesson on the stability of old customs grounded in religious principles. The reports of the post-office and other carrying companies tell a cheerful and reassuring story in this respect.

And let it be known, wherever the colored race is represented, that in no country, among no community, has the true sentiment of peace and good will been more strongly manifested than among the colored people of this city and of this country. The writer can point to many evidences of this characteristic feeling that came under his own observation. One of the most ouching examples out of a number that could be instanced may suffice as an illustration.

Away up the White River, a few miles above Broad Ripple, there is a small and lonely cottage in the vicinity of Nora, occupied by a worthy couple and their little grandchild. Mr. and Mrs. John King, though poor, are industrious and pious, and as honest as standard gold. Their modest home is a model of neatness, cleanliness and humble comfort. The summer visits of the writer to these good people and the sentiments often expressed in regard to what is unfortunately termed the race question were not forgotten. These dear old friends, though the distance to the city is great, dispatched a messenger with a large market basket containing a chicken, the choicest of their small stock, a fine platter of home made sausage, a dish of delicious fresh butter, a jar of blackberries, preserved by Mrs. King herself, a bowl of the finest brown fresh eggs as were ever seen in the country, and other good things. This touching gift was accompanied by a note, "We wish you a merry Christmas and a very happy New Year."

Where is there a man or a woman of any nationality or color whose very heart and soul would not be affected by this kindly offering?

There will be no "race prejudice" if this noble Christmas spirit of good-will and peace be imbued in the national and domestic life. There is no need to look for any source of discord but rather let the tendency be to foster among the colored population of our country the pacifying spirit taught and exemplified in the life of the Prince of Peace. Then will Christmas come to have a still wider significance and be a time for still greater rejoicing in this glorious land.



HON. CHARLES W. MILLER,
Candidate for Governor of Indiana.

"THE NEGRO IS ALL RIGHT."

Thus Spoke Andrew Carnegie in a Recent Address.

At the request of a number of friends who have not been able to get hold of a copy of the highly significant address of Mr. Andrew Carnegie, delivered on the occasion of the celebration of the 40th anniversary of the founding of Howard University at Washington, D. C., and the formal installation of Dr. Wilbur Patterson Thirkield as president of that historic institution of learning, The Freeman is publishing herewith the full text of Mr. Carnegie's remarks. They were very brief and wholly impromptu, but very much to the point.

In the presence of a magnificent audience, including the President of the United States, the British Ambassador, the Secretary of the Interior, the Bishop of Washington, the United States Commissioner of Education, the representatives of 40 white and colored colleges in the land and thousands of the race's most cultured men and women, Mr. Carnegie said:

Mr. Carnegie's Speech.

"Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen—It almost seems to me this moment that some power higher than myself brings me here upon this occasion. It is not my doing. I was wholly unconscious of your meeting when requested to come to Washington, and it does seem to me now that it would be almost proper to say, 'Now have I seen the glory of the Lord.'

"Only a few days ago as ambassador to my mother land, as told you, it was my privilege to address the Philosophic Society of Edinburg. An expression of surprise at the facts I could give them about the Negro was startling. They came and shook me by the hands and said, 'You have revealed something to me I never dreamed of.'

"My study of the Negro question is this—but before giving you that, I wish to say one word. This Republic of ours has never failed in solving any problem coming before it, and she is not going to fail in regard to the Negro problem. I believe with what Burke said about Britain, 'that because she founded her colonies upon liberty, was that which was to make her venerated in future ages. I believe in the triumph that our Republic is going to make in raising her fellow slaves that were to men that are to be, and that in the same way it will make her venerated in future ages. The quotation leads me to echo what Lyman Abbot said. I know no man who has done greater service in solving this problem than he. 'No race ever made such progress, materially and educationally, in forty years as the Negro has in America.'

"I thank you, Mr. President, for permitting me to say these few words. I can delay you no longer. Don't be afraid. The problem, not fifteen years ago, was, 'What shall we do with the Negro?' And good men speculated upon Liberia and other places. Look how problems solve themselves! Listen to this, anxious politicians and statesmen: They are always worrying about what is to happen a hundred years from now and before the hundred years come, the problem has gone.

"The problem was, 'What shall we do with the Negro?' Now the problem is 'How can we get more of them?' They are indispensable wherevr they are. The President has told you that 762,000 now own or cultivate farms covering an area larger than England and Wales combined, and they own territory larger than Belgium and Holland combined. A race that forty years ago did not own an acre of land, and in forty years have acquired territory larger than Holland and Belgium combined can be trusted to make its way in this Republic. Don't worry about the Negro; he is all right."

Mr. Carnegie took his seat amid tumultuous applause. His reception, at the outset, was spontaneously enthusiastic, and he was given the Chautauqua salute. He was easily the most popular man on the platform of international dignitaries. Mr. Carnegie's intense love for the singing of Negroes was evidenced by the fact that he could scarcely contain himself during the rendition of several tuneful selections by the Howard University choir, under the able direction of Miss Lulu Childers. He was especially impressed with a mass from Rossini and the standard "Inflammatus," in which Miss Childers attained the difficult obligato with fine effect. It is not strange, therefore, that within thirty days, Howard University has received from Mr. Carnegie the generous sum of $50,000 for the erection of a much-needed library building.

BISHOP ANDREWS DIES OF THE GRIP

A Prominent Methodist Passes Away at His Home in Brooklyn After a Week's Illness; Was a Missionary in Foreign Lands.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Edward Gayer Andrews, bishop of the New York East Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, died today in his eighty-third year at his home in Brooklyn, after an attack of grip. Bishop Andrews had been ill only a week. He returned from a lecturing tour in the West last Tuesday and took to his bed immediately after his return.

Bishop Andrews was a native of this State, having been born at the little town of New Hartford. He was a graduate of Wesleyan and served in pastorates in several towns up the State before coming to Brooklyn in 1868. He remained there several years and then started on missionary work that took him to Europe, India, Mexico, Japan, Korea and China.

TERRE HAUTE, IND.

Although Terre Haute has felt the financial stringency, yet few of our people are without plenty of work. Business by individuals is prospering. Mrs. Mary Mays does a thriving millinery business on South 13½ street. Mrs. Anna Lewis in Gilbert avenue, also in the same line. Three months ago Parks & Edwards started a grocery store in the east end and they will be compelled to enlarge their store, owing to the great growth of their trade. No one of our citizens is more successful in business than Mr. Frank Alexander, in the northeast side, who is a wholesale coal and hay and grain dealer.

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Christmas exercises were held at all the churches. The Spruce street church had a free supper to the Sunday School scholars. Oak street church had a beautiful program before distributing the presents from the tree. Rev. Baker, pastor of the 3d street church, is succeeding in keeping the young and old members in active service. The Acabacs, an organization of young people in his church, had a very interesting entertainment last Thursday night.

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There are three successful clubs in the city: The Young Business Men's Club at the Waller Hotel on Ohio street; the Independent Social Club, on South 4th street, under the efficient management of Mr. G. O. Evans, president, and Miss Tulle, manager; and the Young Men's Hotel Club, which is one of the largest in the city, with about 300 members, with Mr. John Gibbs, the hustler, president.

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All the secret orders are prospering. The Odd Fellows are proud of their beautiful and imposing three-story brick, built last fall on the corner of 16th and Main streets. There are two branches of K. of P. here. Mr. Frank Waller is C. C. of one and Mr. Rochelle of the other. There are in all about 150 members.

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Messrs. Holston & Smith, H. P. Sauer, O. D. Clenn are all good business men on North 13th St. They are among our recent subscribers. Also Wm. Jackson and Emil Blumenberg, in South 2nd St. Judge Jas. E. Piety, Circuit Court, 12 years, is one of our regular subscribers.

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Mr. Waldon runs a prosperous "equal rights" shop on North 3d street. There are also two other popular parlors on the same street. Mr. S. D. Simpson, for years one of the leading artists, and Mr. Harry Southard, who has just fitted up a pretty shop.

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The Freeman is very popular here, having the best circulation of all the colored papers in the city. Almost all the best people read it. Quite a large number of white people are regular subscribers.

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One of the most beautiful as well as valuable homes in Terre Haute is that just completed by Mr. Henry Wall on Gilbert and South 13th street. It has all the modern conveniences and cost over $3,000.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cruitup, in S. 4th St., keep one of the cleanest and most popular first class rooming houses in the city.

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Mr. David Jenkins, the efficient government employe at the distillery, is a strong worker at Oak street church.

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Our firemen at No. 1 always make good. They all take the Freeman.

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Mr. Spinks is one of our best hustlers in the real estate business.

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Dr. Cabell is considered one of the best physicians in the city.

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The Big Four station is incomplete without Mr. L. J. Collier.

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Mr. Wesley Espy gives the best 15c meals in the city.

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Mr. A. D. Ashworth has been at the Vandalia yards for years.

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Mr. C. S. Shackelford, of Providence, Ky., will establish a large business here this month. —"SEER."

THOMPSON'S REVIEW

THE MAIN QUESTION IN THE POLITICAL CIRCLES

"WHERE IS THE BAND-WAGON?"

Contending Hosts Will Now Re-New the Engagement--Ralph Tyler Confirmed As Auditor of Navy Department.

(Staff Correspondence)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 25.—Where is the band-wagon? In political circles to-day all other questions are subordinate to this very practical problem. There is sentiment for this candidate and that one, but back of it all there is this everlasting bread-and-butter aspect, which makes the final choice a cold business proposition. There is a feeling among some of the Negro leaders that, while they have a large stake in the game, with their civil rights, as well as official and personal prestige in the balance, the real problem is yet in the hands of the white man, and they seem disposed to mingle discretion with valor, and remain in the tall timber and await developments. When the situation, in their view, "gets down to them," they will be prepared to whoop things up for the winner. Others take the contrary position, and are convinced that their fortunes will be best subserved by lifting up their voices early in the proceedings, so as to "get in on the ground floor," so to speak. Hit or miss, they think it well to be a factor in securing a nominee particularly acceptable to the Negro, as a means of enhancing the race's political value, and thus place such nominee under heavy obligations to them.

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The announcement that President Roosevelt is "out of it" has put new life into all the presidential booms, and the line-up is taking form and color daily. From now on the Capitol will be the popular rendezvous, and the statesmen in charge of the various "interests" will be beseiged by knowing ones who can tell them just how their favorites win out by a big margin at the Chicago convention. The fact that the coming campaign offers the first chance for a real contest that the Republican party has had in many years, has brought about a recrudescence of all the "fire workers," whose occupation, like that of Othello's, has been gone for some time. They are now riding into town, booted and spurred, with lances shining, and courage full up to the sticking point, ready to follow wherever waives the white plume of their Henry of Navarre. The ragged line that was produced by the retirement of the Roosevelt brigade, is fast closing up, as the battalions wheel into their new alignments. The arrival of Secretary Taft upon the scene has unquestionably strengthened his forces, and they say they have in hand a superior brand of field-glasses which enables them to detect the frame-work of the band-wagon from this great distance. The friends of Fairbanks, Cannon, Knox, Hughes, and of Cortelyou and La Follette, claim to have keen ears and think they catch the strains of the music of the trombone and bass drum far into the ambient. And so the story goes.

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When the contending hosts renew the engagement, after the holidays, the wise-acres hint that the theater of immediate activity will be the South, although there is a strong tendency in more than one of these States to fall back until the North has sounded the keynote by which they may act with a greater knowledge of the location of the precious band-wagon. Nevertheless, there will be some tremendous hustling during the next month or so in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Texas, Arkansas, Florida and the Carolinas, and it is a question who will profit most in this preliminary skirmish. At this writing, it is "anybody's battle." In the meantime, interest centers about the State of Ohio, and the result of the primaries there will be watched with consuming anxiety, as there is no doubt that the outcome of the Taft-Foraker struggle will affect most vitally the situation in the South and everywhere else. When the bell taps for action, the Negro will take his place in the serried ranks and decide

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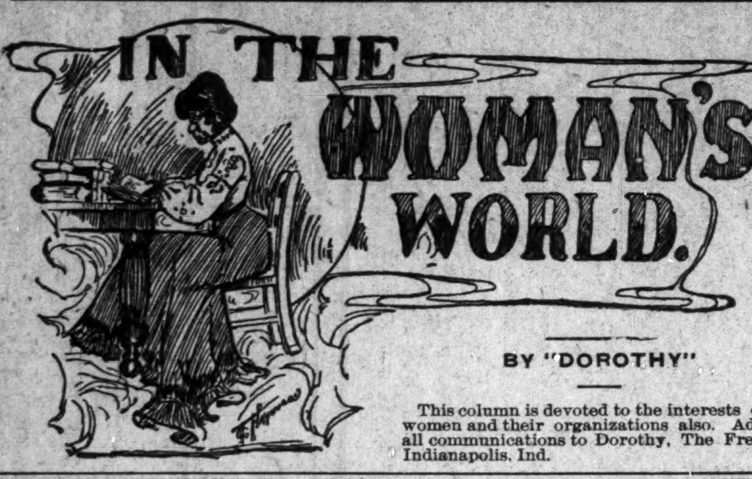

IN THE WOMAN'S WORLD.

BY "DOROTHY"

This column is devoted to the interests of all women and their organizations also. Address all communications to Dorothy, The Freeman Indianapolis, Ind.

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK.

"Who gives a trifle meanly, is meaner than a trifle."

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An error gracefully acknowledged is a victory won.

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Temperance and labor are the two best physicians of men.

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Necessity is the argument of tyrants, it is the creed of slaves.

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Love labor; for if thou dost not want it for food, thou mayest for physic.

HANNAH ELIAS VERY RICH.

Has More Than Double the $700,000 She Got from J. H. Platt.

Hannah Elias, whose career has ranged from the poorhouse to living in great luxury among the city's richest citizens at New York, but whose greatest achievement was cajoling elderly John H. Platt out of $700,000, has more than doubled that comfortable fortune, according to a statement by a friend to-day.

The money she got from Platt was carefully invested. Through luck or good judgment, everything she has touched seems to have turned into gold. Manhattan and Bronx real estate has been her specialty.

To-day she has a home at 226 Central Park, West, her own carriages, is waited on by well-trained servants and is surrounded by every luxury.

GIRL RAISES TURKEYS TO DEFRAY COLLEGE EXPENSES.

A young woman at Franklin, who is paying her own way through college raises turkeys to do so. She has just marketed a consignment of turkeys which paid her well and she already has money enough from the year's sales to carry her through her second year in school.

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR CATS.

The wife of an attorney at Rochester, N. Y., high up in social circles, gave a party for her two pet cats Christmas night. There was a Christmas tree on which each guest tied presents for the cats. There were ribbons, collars with great satin bows, mechanical toys, and Teddy bears. One of the guests of honor was just a common back yard variety of cat, but the other was a pedigreed blue Persian. They did not appear at the table, but were present at the gift distribution in the drawing room.

WOMEN'S DRESS EXHIBITION.

Apparel for Three Hundred Years Shown in Rome.

A most interesting exhibition has been opened at the Rospigliosi, at Rome, with appropriate ceremonies. It is a display of the clothing and jewelry worn by women in the last three hundred years, and includes almost everything relating to the home and outdoor life of women. Signor Tittoni, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, and Signor Orlando, the Minister of Public Works, represented the government at the inauguration of the exhibition, while the new sindaco (or mayor) of Rome, Signor Nathan, represented the municipality. Many distinguished persons, including other cabinet ministers, members of the diplomatic corps and public officials and a large number of women, were among those present at the opening ceremonies.

SCHOOL FOR MOTHERS AND CLUB FOR BABIES.

In a dingy back street over in Northwest London, where probably the prattle of more babies and the complaints of more poverty-stricken mothers may be heard than in any other section of the metropolis, a club for babies and a school for mothers has just been established.

The new institution is officially known as "The St. Pancras School for Mothers," but the neighborhood knows it as "The Mothers' and Babies' Welcome," for over the door is the sign, "Come in, mothers, and bring your babies."

It is only one step in the fight now being organized to combat the influences that make for the great waste of London, and it may not be long before many other institutions of the kind are established throughout the metropolis.

Lessons for Mothers.

Miss Evelyn Sharp, who has been making a special study of the work for the lessening of infant mortality in London, has the following to say about the new institution:

"Any one who visits this combination of babies' club and mothers' school on 'weighing days' (which fall on Tuesdays and Fridays), will wonder what the mothers have to do with it all. 'Baby Consultations' greets one in large letters as one steps in front of the window. A picture of a bow-legged baby who has been allowed to walk too soon points the moral to this announcement; so does another warning inside, bearing the significant legend, 'Make your baby a teetotaler.' There is still another warning in the injunction, which reads: 'Feed your baby by the clock.'

On "Weighing Day."

"One understands why, on weighing days it is necessary to have these instructions printed where everybody can see them, for on weighing day the conversation of the babies imposes silence in every one else.

"It is true that on Tuesday and Friday afternoons the club contains more adults than babies. To begin with, there is a mother to every baby, and then there is the lady superintendent, the honorary secretary and many other ladies who have come to dress and feed the babies. Lastly, but not least in importance, is Dr. Nora Buting. But even Dr. Nora Bunting is dwarfed into insignificance, like all the others, by the baby that is being weighed. Yes, the baby is the thing.

"Indeed, on Tuesdey and Friday afternoons the club is just a club for babies, and a very flourishing one, too, though the subscription is just a penny and the only entrance fee is an assurance that baby is less than one year old. On any other day baby is put in his place—in the dining-room—where he has a real lady to play with. Then the mother takes her off day.

Learns to Cook, Too.

"For a penny a week she can not only take her baby to be weighed, but she may attend all the classes. She may attend the cookery class on Thursday afternoon or the needlework class on Wednesday, and she may bring her husband to the Tuesday evening class and hear talks on health for babies given by a lady doctor.

"Or, if she is an expectant mother, she may put her savings into a provident club, through which she will secure a small interest, so that she may have extra help in the home and sufficient nourishment for all concerned when the crisis arrives.

"If she is a nursing mother she may come to the Welcome every day except Sunday and enjoy a meat dinner, with vegetables, followed by a milk pudding or stewed fruit, for which she pays two pennies three farthings (5½ cents). This is, indeed, one of the best features of the club. The immense advantage of obtaining well-cooked meals at this small price will bee seen when it is remembered that the railway employes in this district average something like 15 shillings (slightly under $4 a week."

M. Uular, editor of Le Petit Journal of Paris, says that American society women are "self-conscious," "graceless" and "flirtatious." He further said that Miss Anne T. Morgan, daughter of J. Pierpont Morgan, was the only woman of real intelligence."

The club women of South Carolina will try to get from the Legislature this winter a State library commission. The State Federation owns 5,000 books, which it circulates in small traveling libraries. The bill, which is to be introduced, provides for a commission of five members, two of whom are to be women named by the State Federation. If the bill passes the federation pledges itself to turn over to the State its books and equipment and work for the extension of the system. As the chief need is money, it is proposed that the federation shall take steps to raise the necessary amount.

SOME BEAUTIFUL COLORED WOMEN.

The Detroit Informer is still publishing the likenesses of beautiful colored women. And, what's more, they certainly have them up there, or else they have some very flattering photographers. We rather think they are there, just like they show up in that publication. The Detroiter seems to have been impressed with the profusion of beauty, consequently a beauty contest was brought about a few months ago, since which time it has become more evident that Detroit was the home of beautiful colored women. The Christmas number of the Informer is resplendent in that respect. On its first page are three likenesses that will not be matched very soon. The photographer deserves a medal. Mrs. H. T. Toliver, voted the most beautiful colored woman in Michigan or Ontario, is one of them. Judging by the picture, Mrs. Toliver does not rely too much on mixture of blood for her looks. She resembles a chiseling in stone, features of semi-thickness, but, withal, beautifully proportionate. Her hair is about half-way, and for the better, since it gives it that rigid stone aspect that tends from the dowdy; it looks up to stay, giving the head as classic appearance as that of Venus de Medici. Her face, as a whole, is refreshing in appearance—one eternal quaff, and where the eyes would never tire. Her expression is open, giving no token of the too sensual, but not without some warmth. Her eyes, slightly Japanese, are neither especially appealing or repelling, and perhaps wear a sort of studious indifference that they don't index too much. Her neck and shoulders may as well be marble as otherwise. The prize she won was due her.

Miss Ruth M. Thomas is more of a special beauty; she would not appeal to all alike. To all she would be a lovely woman; judging by her picture, but she would win particular favor with those that take note of some prevailing trait. She has a greater warmth of expression, eyes more fascinating, languid, is a little fuller in features than Mrs. Toliver, but with good conformity. Her beauty is as much of her own race as that of the Caucasian—more so, perhaps. Miss Thompson won second prize in the Informer beauty contest.

Mrs. Cora Becks received 1,100 votes in the contest. She is of a more pronounced Caucasian type. Her features are thinner, but do not make for the harmony noted in the other faces. Hers is a beauty often noted in the white race, beautiful as many are beautiful of that race. Her face proper is handsome, eyes somewhat colder—brilliant—giving the total face a little more frigidness than noted in the other faces.

The three likenesses make very good studies, and which should be seen to be appreciated. The remaining list of the contestants are women of great beauty, and deserve the consideration given them.

DR. REYBURN'S LOVING CUP.

Token of Appreciation for Fifty Years of Usefulness to Humanity—Presented by Medico-Chirurgical Society.

Washington, D. C., December 23.—An occasion of more than ordinary significance among the medical fraternity of the District of Columbia was the Thursday night session of the Medico-Chirurgical Society at which was celebrated, in enthusiastic fashion the fiftieth anniversary of Dr. Robert Reyburn in the practice of medicine and surgery, and the presentation of a loving cup in commemoration of his valued services in behalf of the colored people, both at Howard University and in the larger forum of a useful public life.

The exercises were held at the palatial residence of Dr. C. W. Cabaniss, 1744 K street N. W., who is president of the Medico-Chirurgical Society, and of which Dr. Reyburn is an active member of long standing. The spacious parlors were crowded with a brilliant assemblage of the "flower of Washington society," such as could not be duplicated in any other city in the land. In the vast throng were representatives of all the departments of historic Howard University, and many notable factors in the social, professional, business and official life of both races in this cosmopolitan community. In addition to the members of the Medico-Chirurgical Society, the Dental Association, the pharmacists, and their wives, there were many invited guests, a number of whom came from abroad, to do honor to the distinguished guest of the evening.

After a fervent prayer by Dr. W. V. Tunnell, warden of King Hall Theological School of Howard University, Dr. Reyburn read a scholarly and instructive paper on "The Prevention of Death During Anaethesia by Chloroform or Ether." He brought out a number of new points in the administration of these anoesthetics, dwelling upon its increasing importance as a branch of medical science, and cited several cases taken from his personal experience. The paper was ably discussed in an affirmative vein by Dr. John W. Mitchell, secretary of the Society. Dr. J. T. Walker, of the 19th Street Baptist choir, rendered a solo, "It is your voice," followed by an eulogistic review of the life and public services of Dr. Reyburn by Dr. M. O. Dumas, after which President Cabaniss, in an admirably-phrased address, presented the beautiful loving cup to the guest of honor, in the name of the Medico-Chirurgical Society and of the colored citizens of the District. The cup was large and of exquisite design. It was sterling silver and cost $50. It was appropriately engraved and to it was attached a parchment in gold frame, bearning autographs of all the members of the Society. Dr. Reyburn accepted the richly-garnished token in the spirit that it was offered, delivering a brief, but most felicitous speech, manifesting deep feeling because of the kindly sentiments which accompanied its presentation.

Prof. Kelly Miller, dean of the College Department of Howard University and President of the Union Alumni Association, spoke happily of "The Allegiance of Alumni to Their Alma Mater"; Dr. W. H. Wright, of Baltimore, President of the National Medical Association, presented a paper on "The Relation of Local Medical Societies to the National Association." Mrs. Amanda V. Gray sang "Ben Bolt" touchingly, and Dr. Wilbur Patterson Thirkield, President of Howard University, gave a practical talk on "The Ideals of a Medical Society." Dr. W. S. Lofton traced the progress of the race in dentistry, Dr. C. Sumner Wormley, Washington's favorite baritone, rendered a spirited solo, with Mrs. E. D. Williston as accompanist, and then followed two-minute addresses from the floor, led by Dr. C. W. Childs. Remarks of a congratulatory and highly complimentary nature were heard from Hon. W. T. Vernon, Register of the Treasury; Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, Doctors A. M. Curtis, who quoted Ingersoll's "Dum Vivimus Vivamus" with fine effect; John R. Francis, J. R. Wilder, Julia R. Hall, E. D. Williston, D. S. Lamb, W. H. Seaman, J. E. Brackett, and R. L. Jones, of Charleston, W. Va.; Justics Robert H. Terrell, Mrs. A. M. Curtis, Mr. J. A. Cobb, assistant district attorney; Revs. Walter H. Brooks, D. E. Wiseman and others. All expressed the warmest affection for Dr. Reyburn, and the graduates of Howard University, who had won their laurels under his guidance, were particularly grateful for the substantial assistance he had given, and for the inspiration and encouragement that his life and noble character had been to them. Indeed, the invigorating spirit of Howard University, synonymous with the work of Dr. Reyburn, permeated and sweetened the entire situation. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. F. J. Grimke.

The officers of the Medico-Chirurgical Society which thus celebrated the golden anniversary in medicine of Dr. Reyburn, are: President Dr. G. W. Cabaniss; vice-president, Dr. C. W. Childs; recording secretary, Dr. John W. Mitchell; corresponding secretary, Dr. Albert Ridgeley; treasurer, Dr. Charles H. Marshall. The Board of Censors includes Dr. Robert Reyburn, Dr. J. R. Francis, Dr. A. M. Curtis, Dr. F. J. Shadd, and Dr. D. S. Lamb.

The company included, besides besides those already mentioned, the following: Doctors E. H. Allen, O. M. Atwood, J. D. Blair, R. W. Brown, A. R. Collins, J. C. Dowling, H. W. Freeman, A. H. Johnson, J. H. Johnson, J. Francis Johnson, W. C. Jones, M. M. Lucas, Thomas Martin, U. J. Daniels, C. H. Marshall, Mrs. Addie Mitchell, W. C. McNeil, S. M. Pierre, P. W. Price, Albert Ridgeley, C. A. Sewell, E. D. Scott, W. K. Scott, H. C. Scurlock, A. W. Tancil, C. A. Tignor, W. A. Warfield, Charles I. West, H. J. Williams, S. S. Thompson; Dental Doctors C. Clifford Fry, R. L. Peyton, R. G. Walker, J. E. Washington, J. R. Francis, Jr., F. Barrier, A. J. Gwarthney, W. E. Hamilton, C. S. Gray, W. S. Naylor, G. H. Butcher, A. E. Gaskins, A. Russell. Additional invited guests were: Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Conner, Mrs. Kelly Miller, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson, Miss Rosa Childs, Mrs. W. T. Vernon, Dr. L. H. Harris and others.

Dr. Robert Reyburn ranks with abolitionists of the Garrison, Phillips, Sumner and Lovejoy type, as a champion of the cause of humanity, justice and civic righteousness. He is a native of Glasgow, Scotland, and came to this country in 1843, at the age of ten years. He graduated in medicine from the Philadelphia College of Medicine in 1856, and came to Washington in 1862 to practice. During a large portion of the Civil War, he served as a surgeon in the hospitals and on the battlefields about Alexandria, and was mustered out in 1867 as a brevet lieutenant-colonel of volunteers. His sympathies were with the freedmen and he became deeply interested with Gen. O. O. Howard in the movements for their relief and to offer them the education that would make them useful citizens. Braving social ostracism and defying the widespread antipathy to the training of the Negro at that time, he associated himself with the work of Howard University, accepting the presidency of the institution. In 1868, he organized the medical department, from which has been graduated over 1,000 capable and influential physicians of the race, scattered throughout the nation. In the forty years that Dr. Reyburn has been prominently identified with this institution, he has been a potent factor in promoting its growth, until to-day it is universally recognized as the leading exponent in the world of the higher and professional education of the colored people. Dr. Reyburn enjoyed a personal acquaintance with President Lincoln, and was among the first to reach his side when he fell at the hands of the assassin, and was probably the last man to receive a written message from the President before going to Ford's Theater on that fateful night. He was likewise a close friend of President Garfield, and is the sole survivor of the six physicians who attended him after the shooting that ended his life. Dr. Reyburn has been active in the political affairs of the District, and has long been an ardent champion of the restoration of sufrage. He was a member of the Board of Education from 1877 to 1879. An uncompromising republican, he was a delegate to the national convention in 1904 and since that time has been the District's member of the Republican National Committee. He has written a large number of articles of local and general interest, and also many short poems of merit. A notable production is his "Clinical History of the Case of President James A. Garfield," which was published in the Journal of the American Medical Association a few years ago, and which throws much light on the subject not now obtainable from any other source.

In thus honoring Dr. Reyburn, whom Register Vernon rightly describes as "one of Nature's noblemen," the Medico-Chirurgical Association doubly honors itself and the race which this good evangel has served so well.

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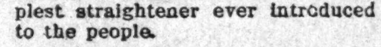

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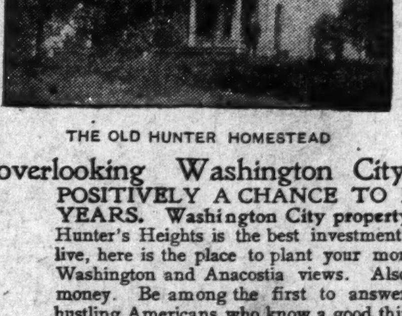

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it as we may, his attitude toward the several candidates will be a factor that must be reckoned with, and offers a study more puzzling than that furnished by any other element in the political equation of the day, aside from the masters of the financial world.

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Mr. Ralph W. Tyler has been confirmed as Auditor for the Navy Department. This worthy man needs no introduction to the nation. As editor of several first-class race publications, and in the office of the Columbus Dispatch, central Ohio's leading moulder of sentiment, he goes by sheer merit from messenger to private secretary to the president of the corporation, and has successfully filled assignments at the principal editorial and news desks on that great paper. His business instinct and keen organizing capacity is shown in the readiness with which he took hold of the intricate accounts of the Navy Department. Mr. Tyler's annual report, just made public, shows the office to be in the best shape that it has known in its history. Not only has he efficiently administered the trust imposed upon him by the Government, but he has not been unmindful of the welfare of his race. He has been instrumental in securing promotions for a number of deserving assistants, and has advanced others by the transfer method, and is still pushing forward the good work. Mrs. Tyler, his charming helpmeet, has made herself much loved in Washington society by her gracious cordiality of manner, and vies with her talented husband in personal popularity, as well as in the work of charity and benevolence to which each has contributed most helpfully. Mr. Tyler has made his way upwards strictly on his merits, and by a sturdy determination to do his full duty, he has largely offset the disadvantage entailed by color.

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Mrs. Carrie W. Clifford, formerly of Cleveland, O., spoke Tuesday evening before Bethel Literary and Historical Association on "Some Thoughts on the Great American Problem." She handled in vigorous fashion the jimcrow car law, color restrictions in theaters, restaurants, etc., and the gross indifference of the colored leaders to the open violations of the Federal Constitution right here in the nation's capital, where the President has undisputed jurisdiction, and where he has at his back the power of the Army and Navy, if he wishes to enforce the law of the land. A lively discussion was precipitated, led by Mr. R. W. Thompson, by invitation of the president, Miss Marie A. D. Madre, followed by Mrs. Daniel Murray, Mr. C. H. Shorter, Mrs. R. R. Horner, Attorney Perri W. Frisby and others. Mrs. Clifford's speech was an excellent one. She has long been a prime mover in the club life of the Buckeye State, an active worker in the National Association of Colored Women, president of the Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs and editor of a sprightly little paper called "Queen's Gardens," published under a Boston dateline, and subscribing to the motto: "Deeds, Not Words."

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A gold medal has been awarded by the jury of awards of the Jamestown Exposition to A. N. Scurlock for an exhibition of the photographic art; silver medals went to G. A. Turner for photographs and to A. C. Newman for an electric block signal and to the Armstrong Manual Training School for furniture, iron work, drawings and sewing; bronze medals went to Prof. Kelly Miller for a statistical chart on Negro progress and to Daniel Freeman for photographs.

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The school question is still in the air. The trial of Superintendent Chancellor has been dragging its weary length, prolonged on account of the latter's illness and the probable interference of Congress. No one can tell what will be done to bring about peace in the schools, but that something will have to be done goes without saying. Dr. Chancellor's dismissal is looked for, not so much because of his lack of scholarship and ability as an educator, as because of his temperamental unfitness for the disposal of the delicate problems that continually present themselves in a diverse community like Washington, with its thousands of conflicting interests. Representative Burleson, of Texas, has introduced a bill in the House for the reorganization of the entire school system of the District. The bill provides for the abolition of the Board of Education, the superintendent of schools, and the assistant superintendents, and stipulates that the powers exercised by these officers be vested in a director of education, who shall be appointed by the President. The change, according to the bill, is to go into effect in February, 1908. The salary of the director is placed at $6,000. While hoping for a change that will relieve the terrible tension ne wexisting, the conservative citizen would regret the adoption of any measure that would rob the Negroes of their representation in the affairs of the schools, for all realize that to properly care for the welfare of our thousands of colored children, there should be some of our own people on guard, who understand and sympathize with their peculiar needs. Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, the dominant force on the Board, as far as the race is concerned, has rendered excellent service, and with her assiciates, Messrs. John F. Cook and R. R. Horner, she has inaugurated a number of reforms that have proven beneficial to both white and colored students. They are entitled to the thanks of a grateful constituency, and it is hoped that they may be retained in some advisory capacity, whatever legislation may be deemed wise by Congress, to accomplish the desired results.

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Mr. Edward E. Cooper, formerly editor of The Colored American, is confined to his home on 6th street by a serious attack, due to overwork and the ravages of the grip. He is improving under the care of Dr. E. D. Williston. Mr. Cooper is one of the race's foremost newspaper men and no man in the country is more widely known.

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The centennial anniversary of the birth of John Greenleaf Whittier, in line with the suggestion made some time ago by Dr. Booker T. Washington, was very generally observed by the colored people of the District. Special exercises were held at Howard University, with Dean Wilburl of the George Washington University, and President W. P. Thirkield, of Howard University, as principal speakers. Bruce School rendered a fine program in which Assistant Superintendent Roscoe Conklin Bruce, former Justice E. M. Hewlett, President Thirkield, and Judge W. H. De Lacey participated. The Bruce School is named in honor of the late Senator B. H. Bruce. The Dunbar Literary Society, with Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis as the leading attraction, celebrated at the Y. W. C. A., and eulogistic references were made in all the pulpits and at the Bethel Literary and meeting of the Medico-Chirurgical Society.

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Mr. Joseph D. Jones, proprietor of the Brunswick, one of the oldest hostelries in the city, is dead. For twenty-one years he was treasurer of the Third Baptist Church, and was a member of the K. of P., the Masons and other fraternal organizations. The business will be carried on by his own sons, Ernest P. and Joseph D. Jones, who survive him. Mr. Jones, whose wife, Mrs. Dolly A. C. Jones, died only last September, under circumstances unusually sad, was said to have been worth at least $75,000, acquired through fortunate real estate investments and careful attention to business. They were generous givers to worthy causes.

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Arrangements have been completed for the meeting of the joint Council of the Bishops of the A. M. E., C. M. E. and A. M. E. Zion connections. The date is February 12, and the place is the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church. The ecclesiastical, religious, civil, political and sociological conditions of the Negro race at this time, will be soberly considered, and it is thought that an address to the country, of an extraordinary character, will be sent out from the body. The Bishops who will be present, speak for organizations embracing over 2,000,000 persons. Bishop Turner will preside at the opening session. An invitation has been extended to President Roosevelt, and it is thought he will attend, if not prevented by pressure of public business.

Dr. Booker T. Washington is now a Mason of high standing. The degrees of the world's most impressive order were conferred by William Lloyd Marshall, Grand Master of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. and A. M. of Massachusetts, in Boston, on the evening of the 18th, the ceremonies being held at the apartments of the order, 446 Tremont street. The work was performed in a lodge specially convened for that purpose, and constitutes a very unique departure, as only men of mark are selected for this honor, which can only be conferred by the Grand Master. H. C. Binford, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alabama, in whose jurisdiction Dr. Washington resides, gave his official sanction to the granting of the degrees, and sent a letter of congratulation. Similar letters have been received by Dr. Washington from prominent Masons in Washington and all over the country.

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The many friends of Mr. Emmett J. Scott are rejoiced to learn that he is rapidly recovering from the effects of the recent operation for appendicitis, and will soon be back in the harness. Mr. Scott is one of the race's most useful forces, and it is proidential that he has been spared to keep up his good work for his people.

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A bill, which is destined for a seepdy journey to the wastebasket, has been introduced in the House. It is designed to prosecute and punish persons of the Negro or Mongolian races who may happen to marry white persons—a measure to prevent miscenegenation, in short.

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The District branch of the National Negro Business League, held an important meeting Wednesday night at the residence of President John A. Lankford. Steps are being taken to hold a monster mass meeting early in the new year, and a vigorous campaign will be entered upon to rouse our business men to the necessity for co-operation and the infusion of the commercial spirit in all of our people. Mr. Lankford was elected vice president of the National League at Topeka,, and will do his lever best to make Washington a close second to Baltimore in entertaining the next national convention.

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The final steps in uniting the Maryland Grand Lodge of Pythians with the Supreme Lodge of Knights of Pythias, North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia, were taken a few days ago in Baltimore. Articles of incorporation were filed by Attorney Harry S. Cummings. This was the outcome of a special meeting of the Maryland Grand Lodge, held October 31st, at which a majority of the lodges of the State voted to secede from the Supreme Lodge, Eastern and Western Hemispheres, and to unite with the "regular" wing. In this beneficent work of unification and consolidation, Supreme Chancellor S. W. Starks has proven a tower of strength. He has shown himself on this and other critical occasions to be pre-eminently the man for the emergency.

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The District of Columbia is to have an industrial school of ample proportions, to assist the Negro to better his prospects for a hearing in the world of skilled labor, correlated with mental efficiency. Both sexes of our young people are to receive the advantages that this institution will offer. The unfortunate condition of Washington's 100,000 Negroes has successfully appealed to the best-thinking whites of this community, and with their hearty support, the ultimate erection of the necessary buildings and their equipment are now assured. Articles of incorporation for the National Training and Industrial Institute were filed this week. The incorporators, all well-known men, of high Christian character and high standing in the business world, are: Henry B. Macfarland, District Commissioner; John B. Henderson, former Senator from Missouri; William E. Curtis, the correspondent; John Joy Edson, president of the Washington Loan and Trust Company; Cuno H. Rudolph, president of the Washington Board of Trade; Abraham Simon, Rabbi of Jewish Congregation; S. Geriah Lampkins, pastor 10th Street Baptist Church, and originator of the projected institution; Ashley M. Gould, justice of the District Supreme Court; William H. DeLacy, judge of the Juvenile Court; Thomas Walker, real estate dealer; Bishop G. W. Clinton, of the Zion connection; Brainard H. Warner, retired business man of philanthropic spirit; Charles W. Needham, president of the George Washington University; Wilbur P. Thirkield, president of Howard University; Kelly Miller, dean of college department of Howard University, and William V. Tunnell, warden of King Hall Theological School, Howard University.

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SPORT

SQUIRES KNOCKED OUT BY FLYNN IN SIXTH ROUND

Colorado Ex-Fireman Lands on Australian's Jaw and He Goes Down for Count

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Dec. 20.—Bill Squires of Australia was knocked out by James Flynn of Colorado tonight in the sixth round by a right upper cut to the jaw. In the fourth round Squires landed a hard right to the ex-fireman's jaw and had the Australian possessed the speed to follow up the advantage the battle might have ended there.

Squires' unprotected jaw, however, was Flynn's mark and he landed there repeatedly, having the visitor groggy in three of the six rounds. The end came after Squires had been forced across the ring. He was coming out of a clinch when Flynn caught him with his right.

BARRY DEFEATED BY LANGFORD

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—Sam Langford, of Boston, performed a delicate operation upon James J. Barry, of Montana, removing from the latter's system all traces of the championship bug.

It took ten rounds to do the trick before the Pacific Athletic Club here last night, but had the Negro been born with a punch in at least one hand, he might have won the battle inside the five rounds mark.

Barry, who only had a few day's training, was in no shape to put up a stiff fight, and after two desperate rounds spent in an attempt to floor Sam for the count, Jimmy "blew out" and for eight rounds contented himself with backing, stalling and clinching. There were occasional flashes of fierce fighting, but they were so few and far between that they do not count.

Barry was a very tired man after the second round, and time after time Langford caught him coming in and popped him on the point of the chin with a right hander whcih seemed hard enough to jar a brick block.

Langford's punches looked all right and they sounded all right, but the effect was lacking. Never once was Barry in distress from a punch, though he was often in a bad way from his own inexpert haymaking. The fight was the first to be held and the new law now operating here, which provides for a limit of ten rounds with six-ounce gloves. It may have been the extra padding on the mitts which prevented Langford from sending home the knockout punch. His wallop seemed to have steam, but had no punishing effect upon Barry.

The new law also provides that no decision be given. None was needed, for Barry was clearly outstripped, and at the end was visibly affected with weariness. There was little betting on the result and the wagers made were laid with the odds in favor of the man from Boston.

This was the third time Langford and Barry have met. Each time the fight has gone the limit.

It was indeed a sad accident which befell our old pal Jawn O'Brien, the other night, which caused him to call off his go with Jack Johnson.

Jawn knocked Bill Heveron skyhigh with a wallop on the jaw, left the ring and after lacing up his shoes, dressing and moving a few trunks, went home and put a few loads of coal into the cellar. Next morning he met Sam Fitzpatrick to sign articles for the Johnson fight and discovered that his "ulna" bone was broken.

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SATURDAY, JAN. 4, 1908.

Weather—fractious.

More bliss from a good beefsteak, than from a pipe of opium.

The lid is again off in New York, and the big city has gone back to its flesh pots.

The water wagon is now beseiging Indiana; it has taken some notable positions already, and is none the less ready for new charges.

After all, Christmas times had bright spots for most all. The well known Indianapolis News saw to it that the old folks should have reason for rejoicing, and the Indianapolis Star was interested in seeing that every child was visiting by the giving hand.

The candidacy of Vice President Fairbanks for the presidency is meeting with favorable reception generally. The country is fairly acquainted with the high and meritorious services of the distinguished Indianian and gives indication of desire to see him filling the first position within the gift of the people.

Secretary of War Taft gave it out, in Boston recently that the passing of a generation or so would be necessary before the Philippines could be turned over to the natives with any hope of successful government on their part. Four hundred ministers heard him, a number of whom expressed themselves as hopeful of his political prospects.

Congressman Richmond P. Hobson thinks to interest Congress to the extent of publishing a newspaper, a bill for which he will soon introduce in Congress. He things the department and bureau work at Washington need greater and regular publicity. The bait does not look so tempting, but the solons may see it as something great and needful; they have done stranger things.

"Christmas Memories," by one who signs himself a "White Man," will be seen elsewhere in this issue. It is by one, as the sentiments proclaim, who is in sympathy with the lowly folks—the salt of the earth, so to speak. He speaks of Mr. and Mrs. John King, who live a little ways out from the city, and who partake of the ways of the country, raising chickens and other fowls, making butter, tending garden and doing those things that are being done by an industrious people in similar locations. What Mr. and Mrs. King did Christmas, how they remembered the writer is told by him in simple, beautiful language. Those who read it will incline to the rural side which has its victories, and no less renown than those of the cities.

"In God we Trust" will not give money a spending value greater than denominated "in the bond," but a sentiment has been established concerning the motto. Doubtless the many petitions and other forms of request, asking the restoring of the motto to the coin were owing to that sentiment. It is true that money—the coins on which the motto appears—is put to vile use, it makes against the use of the deity's name in such cases. But most o fus who have observed the expression, and most all people have at some time, have had reflections that have led from one thought to another along the line suggested by the motto. So it has been of some good, just like any other expression with a thought which is eelevating. Of course, the government is not in the preaching business, as it used to be, in the early days when Godliness was a requisite to political preferment. But most of us believe in the deity, consequently it will not strike us that there will be overmuch advertisement of His name. The petitioners are impressed with the thought of irreverence at staking down the Creator' name when once placed on the coin. Some such feeling possesses most of us. Somehow we can't quite like the idea, although it may have been a long time since the words have been seen. Whether up or down, the purchasing power will be the same, but if it is a matter of choice—put them up.

Apparently Governor Johnson of Minnesota has made a hit with a large and influential element of his party. He urges tariff reform as the paramount issue of his party, a notion that has been warmly seconded. The Republicans have went to victory several times in the past under the slogan of protection, having in mind the nursing of what was termed infant industries rather than the idea of production revenue. In the more recent years the tendency of the erstwhile staunchest protectionists is to give in to the theory of tariff reduction. Mr. Johnson will not have a monopoly of the idea, since many Republicans are of the opinion that the total schedule of rates need revising and of course with reduction in view. Incidentally there are yet great concerns that will be interested in high protection, and they have and will continue to have theid advocates. But the sentiment of the world is drifting towards the open market, and America has of recent years shown disposition to fall in line. It will not mean that our country with its higher wages will be at the mercy of the manufacturers in countries where labor is ruinously cheap. But there are many products on which the import tax is excessively high—so high as to be excluding. Theh thing art, where in no sense is there any form of competition, the rich are often stunned by the great charges. Time and time again there has been shown inconsistencies are excesses which fall altogether on the American people in a most improper way. But the whole tariff business has lost much of its vitality and it is very doubtful if it can become again a respectable campaign issue.

Again we insist that the white people have no such opportunity—have no such an opening for business. Any other race, it strikes us, would have long since have "staked out" every inch of the ground. In the South the race is doing the thing out of necessity, at least it is doing much more than is noted in the North. And if the question is tudied it will be seen that the first, and also the greatest general success were in those concerns which are the result of the law of compulsion. In other words, those concerns do best, which by their existence separates the rates in what otherwise would be their lines of closest contact. To illustrate: The barbershop leads as a business in the race, because it separates the races in what would appear close social contact. The eating and rooming houses and hotels are the close rivals of the barbershops as leading business concerns. Here again is the low af compulsion which is so strongly felt that success has come to many who otherwise would have went along with the tide of do-nothing. Next comes the drug stores which are considered by many as of quasi-social qualities. The notion largely obtains in the South, and in consequence there are many well conducted drug stores by colored men. In them are clerks, hundreds of them all told. And yet this situation, it must be admitted, is because of a sort of pressure. The proposition is answered that those concerns most greatly flourish that result from race discrimination and prejudice. It will be said that, were not these very things—discrimination and prejudice—that the necessity for special barbershops, eating and rooming houses and drug stores would not exist. It looks that way. We, however, will not forget, that no matter how unrighteous their conduct, it has nothing to do with our passiveness, and lack of disposition to enter on those and other pursuits of our own initiation.

BISHOP VINCENT BEFORE THE COLORED PEOPLE'S Y. M. C. A.

Bishop Vincent, of the M. E. church, addressed the colored Y. M. C. A. at Bethel A. M. E. Church last Sunday, choosing for his subject, "The Colored Man's Chance." In the very beginning he gave it out that he was a great believer in the equality of man, and that he did not take very kindly to subjects indicative of classes. He discussed in brief the situations in England where there was but very little prejudice entertained—against Negroes or against any special class; the condition as it concerns the Negroes be obtaining, because that country had never known slavery. In America it was quite different, insisted the speaker, where the institution thrived for years, the giving in of which, has left behind feelings which have not been the best for either race or for the country. He was hopeful of the future, saying that much can be done, both by the white people and colored people to help things along.

The white people, he acknowledged, were too ready to put all of the Negroes into one class, no distinction between them, when there were good and bad among them, as there were elsewhere. The speaker thought that there should be better understanding between cultured Negroes and cultured white people; that the white people become better informed concerning the colored people. When the white men learn to know that there are colored men of intelligence, influence and standing, they will have a kindlier regard for the colored men. They have always been thought of as inferior. There are many intelligent Negroes, and of high moral worth. With the same opportunity there would be many more. With one hundred years of equal opportunity and I guarantee you a different verdict that that of to-day. The Bishop insisted that ministers and professors and others of large influence should put themselves in a position to know the colored men.

Judging by the response, a happy chord was struck when he told the great audience of men to rely on themselves for relief, and not to place hope in political party, nor in any social movement. Reputation for integrity, fidelity to trust and the assertion of the manly qualities count more than parties or movements. Acquaintance, again, he insisted, was necessary that the desires and objects may be known; that character and nobleness of purpose be manifest where they will count most in securing support for the race.

Bishop Vincent stands eminently for the home life—domestic tranquility—aity—a serious home life with its laws and ideals. Says he, the children of to-morrow depend on the what of to-day. Purity, industry, moral strength, should be the ruling forces. In speaking of the family as the model of all to be met in the great world of affairs the speaker, in beautiful, yet simple language, spoke of his trip to Europe, seeing the Alps with its famous peaks. But long before he reached the point of ascent, he had been shown a model of what he would see when he got there, all done in papier mache. When he begun the ascent he could exclaim, as this sight or that had met his view, that he had seen it before. The thruths taught at home would also be recognized in the great world; they would be no new thing—the impressions would remain.

Great stress was laid on will power, by the speaker. Will to do the right. I will or I-will not do it should be a daily drill. The Negro should be true to himself, true to flag, true to the constitution. Booker T. Washington has the respect of every true American citizen because of his own worthiness and self-respect. Rev. Dr. Mason is a robust, powerful, genuine man, who is holding his own commanding the respect of all he meets for the mankindend-|W pOBm bliro for the manhood in him. He thought the Negroes should also make it hot for the liquor sellers. Stand by the church, make it a power, he said; cultivate an every-day, practical faith in God. He urged the exhibition of the Christlike qualities. "Seek to be like Him in all relations."

GOOD, IF IT IS TRUE.

Bishop John F. Vincent, of the M. E. Church, in speaking to the colored Y. M. C. A. organization last Sunday uttered some expressions that touched the men and shook them up. Among them was a proposition to the effect, that if the Negro would do his part, be honorable as a man, seeking what was due with the dignity of a man, that his efforts would not be without avail; that the manhood of the white race would not be too long disinterested listeners to the claims of "justice." The thought is even poetic, and perhaps with a cvhoice few like the bishop it will be as he puts it. But the bitter lessons of experience teach the Negro quite a different thing. When States and communities make laws that run out after the Negro, as it were, shambling him to forestall liberty as so often done, not to speak of the thousand and one wrongs of a more private nature, and which will never be known, it does not look as if the utterance were in any ways prophetic. It is no exaggeration to say that most Negroes are ashamed to acknowledge all they endure. A thousand taunts and flings, and the "proud man's contumely" are borne with the patience of an ox, simply because it does not mend matters to chafe, to fret. And what's more, the fretting or chafing seems to be the expected.

Patience, calmness, fortitude, are the saving virtues, but there is danger when there is such racial inequality as is insisted on. Everything else being equal, it will do to dote in the strong qualities of mankind. Even as they concern the Negroes in their very peculiar relation to civilization, they are not to be totally discarded, but to subscribe to them wholly under the circumstances gives them a new and different meaning. When the aim and bent is to lower, degrade, bedraggle, then the manly virtues are manly, just so far and no farther; farther than that, they are enslaving and besotting. It is not always best, it is thought, to parade civil wounds, but sometimes it is for the best. Injustices should be known wherever they exist; we need no whited sepulchre existence—while within is putrefaction. Nations with records for fairness, justice, should be so in character rather than in reputation. God is not mock, nor dead nor gone on a long journey. If our own nation insist on standing up in the courts of the world, declaring this, that and the other, let it make good; let it be nationally what it is in the individual homes, where high virtue and reverence for all. God-made things are taught. If the Negroes are not in mind, yet he is included since he is not of his own creation. It is a good thing to state the woes as well as the weals. That the outlook is better, does not say that hands should down! for whatever has come, has not been of its own efforts; it will never be so. The outlook is better from the outer rim of affairs, working inwards towards the enforted, so to speak. In other days we had a similar noctiidonnsve-fo igtmpirdl condition; way, away from the theatre of affairs, on the distant horizon, loomed up Lovejoy, then Garrison and Phillips, and Lincoln, and Whittier and Douglass, who gradually worked inward rescuing from a physical benightment. In this day we see the advance guard of the second emancipation—and scarcely less significant than the first, with its Carnegies, Wattersons, Bowers, Forakers, Potters, Vincents, who have taken up arms against inhumane principles wheresoever. Do we overstate the case? Then why are these names mentioned in whispered voices by giant statured Negroes as though the very lisping were a benediction. Pity moves on its allied spirit and the response is the moistened eye, the trembling lip, the thickened tongue that loses language in the acknowledgment of love. It's no new thing; it was shown unto Christ when men gambled for His garment. "Though He were dead, He yet speaketh." We, too, know, that men run risks in standing for Negroes, it was so nineteen hundred years ago. But the little glow of love lighted in those days have not failed until the world is illuminated and man can not escape its influence any more than he can escape the influence of the sun.

So we may, after all, feel assured that the cry of the righteous will prevail; the cry for justice will be heard since justice is the ruling force of nations. Squared by the ro'e of right is the law of high civil nations if they hold their own. Half-free and half-slave, in the sense of justice, will not endure; one must capitulate, they are opposite forces; provocation of the direst discord. So when the few that have stepped in the breach, declaring that a man's a man for a' that, we opine that they hold some such similar views as the foregoing.

AN UNFORTUNATE EVENT DURING THE PAST YEAR.

The most unfortunate political happening during the year was the dishonorable discharge of two companies of Negro soldiers by President Roosevelt, at which Negroes generally felt aggrieved. It was thought to have been a blow aimed at the race, and by no less an individual than the President of the country. The conclusion was hasty; much vindictive spirit was displayed, and which really aggravated the situation as it concerned its race aspect. It was the unfortunate happening at Brownsville, Tex., when life was lost by shooting, and also other damage, which was attributed to Negro soldiers located in that vicinity. The soldiers stoutly denied the acts, and by inference insisted that they were done by citizens, and for the sole purpose of having them appear guilty in order to secure their dismissal, or at least to have them removed from that vicinity. Investigation was by no means conclusive, but the finding was against the soldiers, and in accordance with which the President acted. The stand taken by the race was particularly bold, and, as displayed, the head of the government was most unfortunately too bold and aggressive. The only redeeming feature about the situation was that it was seen that there could be unanimity of action within the race, a thing not thought possible before. There was danger, however, from a political viewpoint, since Mr. Roosevelt stands for the administration, the administration being the party. We will make a mistake if we feel that any great civil advance can be made without party lines; it is an impossibility, no matter what the justness of the cause. The great "dry" movement, which would appear farthest from political activity, is the result of Prohibition agitation, a political organization. It means that we will move very circumspectly if we expect to maintain our relations with the party. And it is folly to think otherwise at this juncture. Already we are threatened by the South with a defeat of rights enjoyed under the Constitution. In the event the effort is made, we will rely on the Republican party to yet fight our battles. Mature judgment and careful consideration will not fail in the conclusion that it is the proper thing, to accept the situation, viewing it as the best under the circumstances. In fact, that there should be plenty of evidence of harmful intent before we conclude to oppose the government. Again and again we should be made to understand that we are violently opposed, and at which time the next best thing to follow should suggest itself. One bluebird does not make a summer, nor does one act prove a hostile intent. The object is not to give comfort to Roosevelt's construction, but to adhere to the Republican party in a National sense. On this question the President and others of the administration are as one.

HON. CHARLES WARREN FAIRBANKS FOR PRESIDENT.

A Republican love feast is a great happening in Indiana politics. No gathering exceeds it in importance or interest short of the State convention, when and where politics and the hopes of candidates are fixed beyond question, the love-feast is important in that it in some sense foreshadows the convention that is to follow. The meeting of last week was particularly happy in feature; those making it up had the supreme pleasure of announcing in the interest of the Republicans of the State the candidacy of Hon. Charles Warren Fairbanks, Vice President of the United States for nomination as President of the United States, for nomination as President of the United States on the Republican ticket. The action is held to be "semi-officious," yet it is the long since declared sense of the leadng men of the party, and almost without a single dissenter. So it is taken for granted that the convention will ratify the foreword of the love feast, and in consequence the candidacy of Indiana's favorite son is announced.

The sterling qualities of the Vice-President has marked him as one among the few that are favorably known over the country as worthy and capable of the great distinction of being President. As we see it today,a nd as viewed by the necessities of the country, Mr. Fairbanks is the most promising candidate now before the party. His high qualities as a statesman has already established him a sure place in affairs, both in the State and nation. In all of his relations with the public since he has been before the people, he has shown unimpeachable fidelity to every trust. He had in mind the people's interest as well as his own. The good opinions entertained of him without the State is supported by the verdict of those at his home, and who know him best. A clean, able man is that verdict—one who delights to serve the people—cool and cautious—one who stops to count the cost. The State is free from faction, a condition due to the disposition to stand as one for the foremost of its citizens.

COLLEGE HEIGHTS.

An antidote for the virus mob: Go to College Heights as fast as you can, buy a lot and settle down among the genteel set of colored folks buying and settling there. Now this may seem a case of trifling with a big and ugly subject. It is to be acknowledged; mobing is a big and ugly subject; nor are we inclined to treat the matter lightly. We will never forget that the colored people's rights are identical with the rights of white people wherever they are, nor should they feel any less at any time, because sheer physical force for a time defeats.

However, the thought of locating in communities is not a bad thought. White people undertake such movements as matters of social experiment, but never from the sense of fear as a race—as a people. The colored people should have similar motives, and at times, it would be to their interests. This proposition is safe; that they would have everything to gain and nothing to lose. There are thousands of communities in this country where they rarely see a colored person's face. The people are not interested in having colored people among them; many of the settlements have no objections themselves to the colored people, but the colored people despire them because they are small and seemingly uninviting. As uninviting as many of those communities are, yet they are models of greater communities—with everything in a business way going on. The profits from the business are fairly the same. Men grow rich in such communities; thousands become well to do. The citizens own the property, hold the offices, and so forth. The opportunity is prodigious.

"College Heights" is one of such communities if you will see it that way. It is already in the process of making, and one will not have to wait the years to see fond hope realized. This beautiful elevated country is adjacent to Guthrie, the capital of Oklahoma. Those managing are much interested in having colored people buy the lots which are at this time being offered at low prices and on easy terms. The fact that Guthrie is the means very much to College Heights; it will partake of the same benefits. Guthrie will be the leading city, perhaps for all time and will grow enormously within the next few years if anything like the present rate of increase is kept up. Capital will flow there also, a thing already noted; it will be invested; this means more prosperity. "College Heights" may well be counted in all of these good things; its proximity assures success in common. The tidal wave of prosperity sweeping over the one city will be felt in the other.

As often stated before, College Heights is beautifully platted, laid out with regular streets, provisions being made for public buildings and business places that are becoming features of the new city. Churches, schoolhouses and so forth will be easy of access, thus in the beginning making it possible for the citizens to enjoy all of the privileges of a city of many year's growth.

The management wants it understood that both white and colored people are purchasing lots in College Heights, yet at the same time, that it is very anxious that colored people secure the bargains offered them. They have been let in on the ground floor of the matter and should appreciate the advantage. For further information address Mr. Geo. L. Knox, The Freeman, Shiel Block, Indianapolis, Ind.

"SELF-HELP."

Those of earlier days will remember that glorious old English character, Samuel Smiles, who talked so much on "Self-help" and allied subjects. We need some Negroes of today who will deal out the good old logic of doing things within the race, that a name he made for perseverance, self-love and other virtues, which help the individual. Many opportunities for self and race improvement are slipping away because we have got it in us that all hope is denied.

We have been mistaken in one thing; not in the fact that the doors of most concerns were closed against the Negroes, for such has been the case; but we were mistaken in thinking the fact, all of it; and that with the closed doors our hopes went a glimmering. De saw through a glass darkly. The race is particularly blessed when it comes to business chances and general industrialism. What it may do rests absolutely with it. We are absolutely beyond the laws of competition except as they may exist among ourselves. UnAmerican as we may think of the condition, it is yet an opportunity. It is the short cut to wealth, and seemingly afforded by the very nature of things. Unpleasant to contemplate, the suffering by the first white men—their long years of death and misery before they had what they have, provided we are expected to come the same way. The table is fairly spread; colored people may embark in business, patronize their own concerns using the means earned of their white employers. If we will study the matter closely, we will see that our country is not so mean after all.

A SPRVEY.

In looking backward, reviewing the happenings of the past year with the hope of noting some advance in the greater things as they pertain to the colored people, we are not so sure that there has been a general advancing along all lines. It will be extremely difficult to figure out civil and political advancement, judging by surface indication where were noted unusual disturbance during the past year. Notwithstanding the unsatisfactory indications on the surface, it may be that conditions are improving at the foundation—the basic structure widening and deepening in order to better accommodate the superstructure. Inflated relations, a condition which obtained since the Civil War, during which time, until the recent past, the spirit of paternalism has been shown the race, are giving away. We were considered children in the race of life, owing to what we had been and also because the Negroes were not credited with all of the qualities that go toward the making of a people as it is understood. The disposition was of the heart, rightly directed and fitted the day. It, however, did not expand with the expansion of the Negroes, who in time showed susceptibility and aptitude in the various directions. It is needless to say that they surpassed the limits thought to be theirs, naturally setting up a spirit of competition. This aggressiveness was the more pronounced, owing to former relations; nor has it been for the best always as expressed on some lines. Had it been confined to the mere accumulation of money to be enjoyed as the rule in race circles, had it conformed to political activity that avoided what seemed dictatorial, had it been expressed in that more sane and sober sense that is being exhibited to-day by the many, did it not manifest itself in too much show and parade, all of which will be admitted by the discerning, the lines would not be so hard and fast as they are to-day. This elf-accusation, however, will not excuse the prejudice of the white people, who are also human and who through their animal side assert the law of self-preservation. It is no peculiarity of their nature; it is with all people; it is with every individual.

In short, our aggressiveness has been stubbornly opposed, as the Negroes come up the scale of civilization. It will not be understood that it pertains so greatly to the ordinary affairs of life, ordinary occupations. These have been freely allowed; it is not a bread and butter question in the extreme sense; it pertains to the ideals of life, to where all hav fixed their eyes. The aggressiveness, after, all has been racial salvation since it is a sort of eternal declaration of rights. Its suddenness is what gave the shock, whereas, if it had been more equally distributed, it stands to reason that the advancement would have been more certain even if much slower. As it is, we seem to be up against the law of philosophy, which says, that what is gained in velocity is lost in power.

Those that are inclined to consider the foregoing as so much theory will convince themselves by a little personal investigation along civil and political lines. There is not the civil liberty of a dozen years ago, and as to politics, one has only to think, to know. But with all this, there is yet a spread of optimism by the foremost white men, and by thoughtful Negroes. It is an optimism of faith, however, rather than that flowing from deeds. It is the forerunner of things to be. On it were builded a great church, whose dominions is the universe; on it flourishes the general Christian religion; on it the diverse worlds were gathered as one, and that whispered intelligence of either becoming an instantaneous proclamation; owing to it were thriwn down the institution of human slavery. So the race will expect much, or should expect much when great men of the country feel to stand out in its behalf. It is here we should feel that the proclamation is broadening, deepening and for the better accommodation for all of the activities. The influential blaze the way in all concerns; as they tend, so tend the people. If they are hard and merciless, the people are accordingly hard and merciless.

We have an optimism of faith. Among the notable men that openly declared for greater consideration of the Negro were: Editor Henry Watterson of the Louisville Courier-Journal, Justice Brewer of the Supreme Court, United States Senator J. B. Foraker, Mr. Andrew Carnegie, philanthropist and millionaire. Others yet, more or less distinguished, also many of the influential papers of the country have insisted on giving the Negroes a fair deal. It is not too much to say that good results have already resulted from the stand taken by these new friends of the race. As said before—a faith in engendered—more faith, on which rests works.

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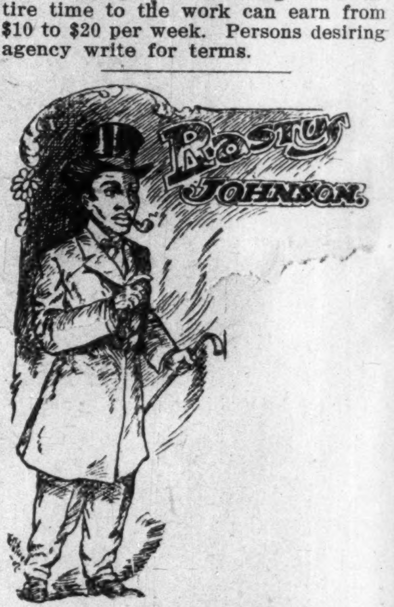

RASTUS JOHNSON.

To de marri'd man erbout de sho'tes' season in de hull yeah is de time jest betwixt women folks' fall hats an' cloaks an' Christmas. Grub is so high an' scase dis yeah dat de only thing de lady-what-tastes-everything-in-de-grocery can work on is de cramberry barrel.

County Commissioner S. J. Faver Writes of "College Heights."

GUTHRIE, OKLA., Dec. 20, '07.
HON. G. L. KNOX,
Indianapolis, Ind.:

DEAR SIR:—I want to thank you for the many kind words The Freeman has to say for Guthrie, which is the Capital city of the new state. I also want to heartily endorse every word you have said about "College Heights." Our people who live in this county and know the "College Heights" property are buying rapidly. We expect our city to double in population in the next five years. Our new county court house is completed, and the county commissioners have leased it to the state for two years at $7,000 per year, and by that time the state will have built its own capitol building, and then the county officers will get to occupy their new home. As a member of the board of county commissioners I want to do all I can to save the tax payers' money, and at the same time show every person that the colored people can be trusted with public business. In doing this I will be a credit to the colored people as well as my family and friends. As you own property in "College Heights," we will look and hope to have a visit from you during the winter. For the benefit of the many readers of The Freeman, I want to assure you that our people in Oklahoma are doing very well, and you will surely make good money on the lots you purchased on "College Heights" when you were here last fall. Hoping you will soon visit our city, I remain,

Yours truly,
S. J. FAVER.

P. G. Lowery passed through the city last Friday afternoon en route to Pittsburg, Pa.

Information has been received at this office that the Kersands Minstrels are stranded at Memphis, Tenn.

Cole and Johnson will be seen at the Park Jan. 13, 14 and 15 in their popular vehicle "The Shoo-Fly Regiment."

Allah Temple, of Kansas City, Mo., gave a reception in honor of Noble Thomas, W. Logan, 33 degree. Christmas day at Masonic Hall.

The Bruces are now spending some time with his company. G. A. Bruce, the proprietor of the M. K. and T. Depot barber shop at MsAlister, Okla.

Billy Nichols of "The Hottest Coon in Dixie" company, shot and severely wounded a man at Girardville, Pa., December 24 and was arrested at Pottsville, Pa., on Christmas day. It has not yet been ascertained whether Nichols shot the man in self-defense or not.

Brown and Brown, F. Fowler tenor, and Harry A., cartoonist, were the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Brown at Indianapolis last Sunday, en route from Louisville, Ky., where they were the hit of the bill at the Hopkins Theatre the past week, to Moline, Ill., for a seven-day engagement.

The announcement, "The ghost walks," an expression signifying that the actors in a theatre are paid, or about to be paid, originated in this way: About thirty years ago a certain actor in Manchester, England, has achieved some renown in the part of the Ghost in "Hamlet." His salary was in arrears; and one day, when the play advertised for the evening was "Hamlet," he intimated to a fellow actor that if he did not receive his salary that afternoon there would be a disappointed audience — to quote his exact words — "The Ghost wouldn't walk."

Sylvester Russell's Review Xmas number is out with a new cover. The following subjects are presented: "The Hand That Has Lost Its Cunning," "That Which Constitutes True Americanship" (by Mr. Russell), and "The Tramp Situation." The Stage Department illustrates Clarence Powell and Miss Margaret Scott and tells how B. F. Keith has downed Klaw & Erlanger in high vaudeville. "How Joe Gans Brought Home the Bacon" is a feature of the comic page. Send 10 cents in silver for a sample copy or 50 cents for a year's subscription to the Sylvester Russell Publishing Company, Hazelton, Pa.

THE PEKIN

"Panama," the new three-act musical comedy at the Pekin, State and 27th streets, is a solid hit. The book and lyrics of the show were written by Marion A. Brooks and Chas. A. Hunter and the music by James T. Brymm and H. Lawrence Freeman.

The story of the play deals with the troubles of the inhabitants of an humble Kentucky town who were induced by a smooth promoter to invest in a mythical property in Panama. The action of the piece takes place in Brandyville, a Kentucky village, and shifts to the canal region in Panama.

Harrison Stewart, the famous Pekin comedian, has one of the very best parts ever allotted to him and provides most of the comedy. Mat Marshall, with his singing and dancing, assisted by the "coolie" chorus, received innumerable encores. Miss Abbie Mitchell, who has recently returned to America from foreign lands, sings sweetly and adds much to the enjoyment of the piece. Among the best musical numbers are "Ebenezer Julius Caesar Johnson," "Awful," "What I Knows I Knows," "Put It Right in My Hand," "Happy Sam Chow," "Things Ain't Just Right," "The Summertime" and "I'd Like to Run Away with You." The big Pekin chorus, assisted by the "Pekin Ponies," sing and dance their way through the play and are always in evidence. The piece is well costumed and the scenery adequate. Mr. J. Ed Green staged the production.

DANDY DIXIE MINSTRELS

Now, friends, when you stop to consider that the Dandy Dixie Minstrels is the youngest minstrel show on the road today, being organized August 4, 1906, from which time it has never closed, playing the year round only one week, the following August for rehearsals and headed by that young comedian Chas. B. Williams, and the show is still a success everywhere, you will be compelled to admit that we are "going some."

Randolph Chrisman, our tuber and double bass player, met his friend, Mr. H. D. Risher, who is in the bakery and restaurant business. Mr Risher banqueted the entire company after the show. It was one grand affair and the boys are still talking about it. On December 21 we played Vicksburg, Miss., the home of Mr. James Crosby and R. Chrisman. They were well received by friends and another spread was set for the company. We also had a good house there and the audience seemed well pleased with the show.

Santa Claus never missed this show. Chas. H. Williams received a $298 diamond ring, a present from his parents. Skip Farrell received quite a number of valuable presents. He now has a smile on his face that will never wear off. Sam Davis received a beautiful scarf pin and a pair of gold cuff buttons inlaid with pearls.

Messrs. Voelckel & Nolan gave this company a swell Thanksgiving dinner, which will be long remembered as well as the one given us Christmas night after the show by our manager, Mr. H. D. Collins, then after the supper he made each member of the company a present in remembrance of him. Just allow me to say right here that we have one of the best managers today on the road. He knows how to treat people that are all right, and we have a company of gentlemen over here, and when we get something else we soon get rid of them, so you see we live like a family and have but little trouble.

Monroe Taber, our tenor singer, is all smiles; he feels proud to know we play his home, Birmingham, Ala., soon.

Jakie Smith, the little man with the big voice, and Gus Stevens, are the entertainers on the car. They see and hear everything.

Prof. E. B. Dudley, successor to Robert Leach, has charge of band and orchestra, and has ordered a load of new music, to suit the time and place.

Everything is running smooth; the man in white never misses us.

Best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year.

Irvin Allen, Sr.

Irvin Allen, who is handling the part of "Ephraim Grindle," in the "Black Politician," this season, is one of the best character actors on the stage to-day. Allen does not stop at playing the part of "Grindle;" you can give him any part in the show and he makes a success of it, even to "Mr. Doo," the "Black Politician," and he is it after a moment's notice. His style of make-up is almost perfect, especially in "old man" characters. While playing this city a short time ago, a friend, who knew his family quite well, attended a performance. When Allen appeared upon the stage the friend, who sat beside the writer, exclaimed: "If there ain't old man Allen, up and down! Didn't know he would ever do such things. Used to belong to church when I was at home. Well, I'll be switched!" When I had told him who the gentleman was, he said the tone of the voice and looks had such a strong relation, he knew there was an Allen in it some way.

MME. E. AZALIA HACKLEY IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Special.—Mme. E. Azalia Hackley, who has been studying classic music for a number of years in the best conservatories in Paris, appeared before a cultured audience last Thursday night at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, and scored a tremendous "hit." Her voice, clear as that of a bird, is of the purest soprano, dramatic in expression, and so flexible in quality that the most difficult trills, cadenzas and other feats of vocalization are accomplished without apparent effort. Her selections were well chosen, her principal numbers being "Oft Have I Seen the Swallow" (I'Acqua), "Rleurez mes yeaux" (Masseult LeClid), "Italian Flower Song" (Bevignani), "To My First Love," and "The Little Irish Girl" (Lohr), and utilizing "Comin' Thro' the Rye" and "Last Rose of Summer" most effectively as encores. Mme. Hackley, beautifully gowned, presented a wonderously attractive stage picture, and her graceful bearing and expressive rendition of the text of her songs, suggested prima donna in grand opera rather than the mere concert entertainer. In fact, it was the consensus of opinion of those in our hearing, that Mme. Hackley's place is really in high-class opera, with a connected theme, supported by a company of capable artists, as the concert stage offers too limited an opportunity for her undoubted dramatic ability, as well as her wide range as an interpreter of emotional music.

Her plan to retire from the public forum is nto to be thought of for one moment, as she is too valuable an asset to the esthetic side of the race's development to be permitted to hide her great light under a bushel. In the operatic arena, she would not be restricted to audiences of her own race, and the wider field would not only be more profitable to her financially, but would make a permanent opening for our superior singers in the ranks of the legitimate professionals. It is the custom of the critics to indulge in comparisons between artists. In Mme. Selika and Mme. Sissieretta Jones, the race has operatic vocalists of rare accomplishments. Mme. Hackley, however, is not like either, and comparisons are necessarily unfair to all concerned. She stands in a class alone, not above them in all respects—but just different. She is a young woman, and, while conscious of her marvelous gifts, is not impervious to honest criticism, and will learn more of the popular taste with wider experience, and will, so to speak, more nearly "find herself" with reference to the limitations of the audiences she must from time to time adapt her methods. This is a matter of management, be it said, as well as a matter of artistic rendition. The importance of the box office can not be overlooked, even while considering the value of ideals.

Mme. Hackley was ably supported in her Washington concert. As accompanist on the piano, Miss Abby Williams was all that could be desired. Mr. Clarence Cameron White appeared to advantage on the violin, and Miss Mary Powell Burrill added to her laurels as an elocutionist. At the conclusion of the program, an opportunity was afforded the people to meet Mme. Hackley in the pastor's study, and all who met her were charmed with er affable manner and modest gratification over the fact that she had pleased her hearers.

The concert was under the management of Mr. Henry Murray, who deserves the thanks of the community for giving it an opportunity to hear this distinguished artist.

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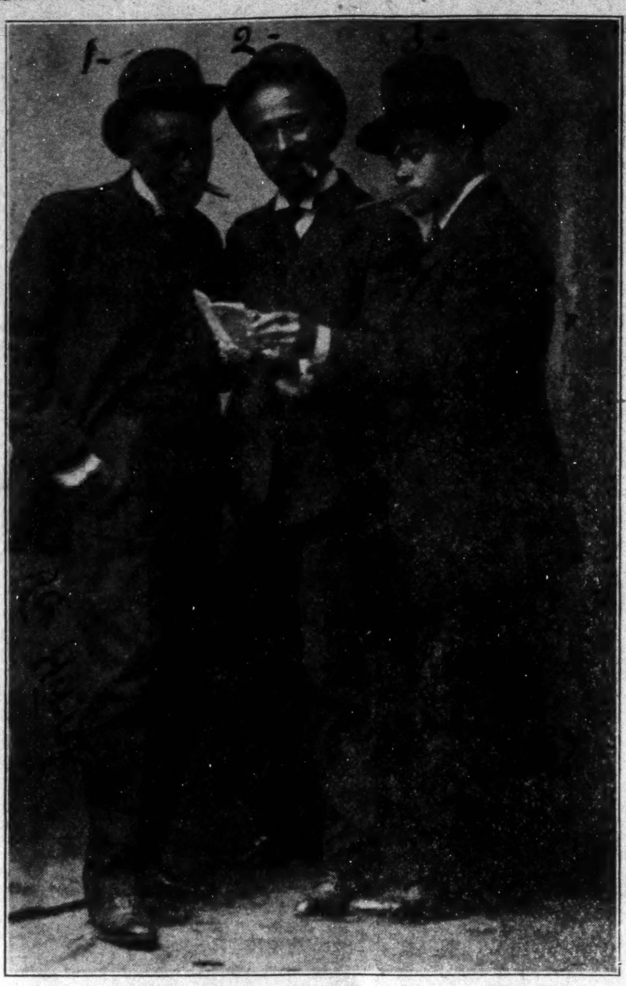

These three gentlemen are responsible for the success attained by the Mahara's Minstrels in music, comedey and song. Reading from right to left: No. 1, Rankford G. Holley, composer, vocal and musical director; No. 2, clever Billy Young, the dean of the profession, partner of the late Wm. McCabe of the McCabe & Young's Minstrels, author and refined comedian and classic entertainer; No. 3, Tim Owsley, comedian, author and producer, also stage director.

The above likeness shows the three gentlemen looking over the MSS. of their new musical comedy book and story by Tim Owsley, lyrics by Billy Young, music by Rankford G. Holley.

Fidler and Sheldon, in their act "Suffocated with Delightness," are meeting with much success, charactertistic of all Hoosier talent.

SPRINGFIELD, O.

Prof. Geo. Williams, of Columbus, spent two days in our city with his wife, Madina Henerette G. Williams, and father, on W. Liberty street. Mr. Williams is a musician of note, being master of fourteen musical instruments, including the coronet, violin, syxophone, flagonet, French pipes, maylandphone, zellephone, musical lyre, occasenia and traps. He also renders several imitations on the coronet and violin. Mr. Williams is 26 years old, was raised at W. Liberty, his mother having died at that place while he was quite a child. Some years later his father, with his sister, Mrs. Robt. Logan, now of Butte, Mont., moved to our city where Mr. Williams, Sr., still resides. Mrs. Logan, nee Elizabeth Williams, was a favorite instructor of the piano, having a large class of both white and colored—proved a sister and mother to the young boy and with her father they sent him to Wilberforce. Mr. Williams took to music and he composes and arranges music for the bands. Mr. Williams is a member of the People's Famous Band of Columbus, also the People's Orchestra, he playing the coronet. Last week the orchestra furnished music at the Broad Oak Rink at Columbus.

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Mrs. Ina Lett is ill.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Oglsby spent Christmas week at Indianapolis, their old home.

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Mrs. Dr. Jackson is the guest of relatives and friends at Cincinnati for the holidays.

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Mr. Chas. Evans has moved here from Snyderville. Mr. Evans has a host of friends who will gladly welcome him back to our city.

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Julius Hickman, of Indianapolis, was the guests of relatives in our city last week.

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Dr. and Mrs. Richard Peterferd, Jr., spent Christmas the guests of Mrs. Peterferd's relatives at Columbus, O.

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John Anderson, of Detroit, Mich., was the guest of his brother, Henry Anderson and wife, on E. North St., during the holidays.

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Miss Ada Williams, of Lockland, O., was the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones, on Spring St., during the holidays.

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Bristol, Walter.
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Carter, Paul.
Carral, Wm. P.
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Crosby, Frank.
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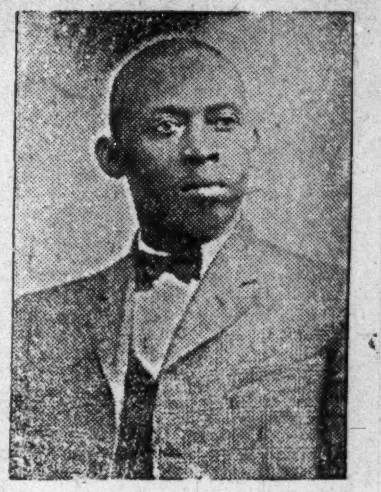

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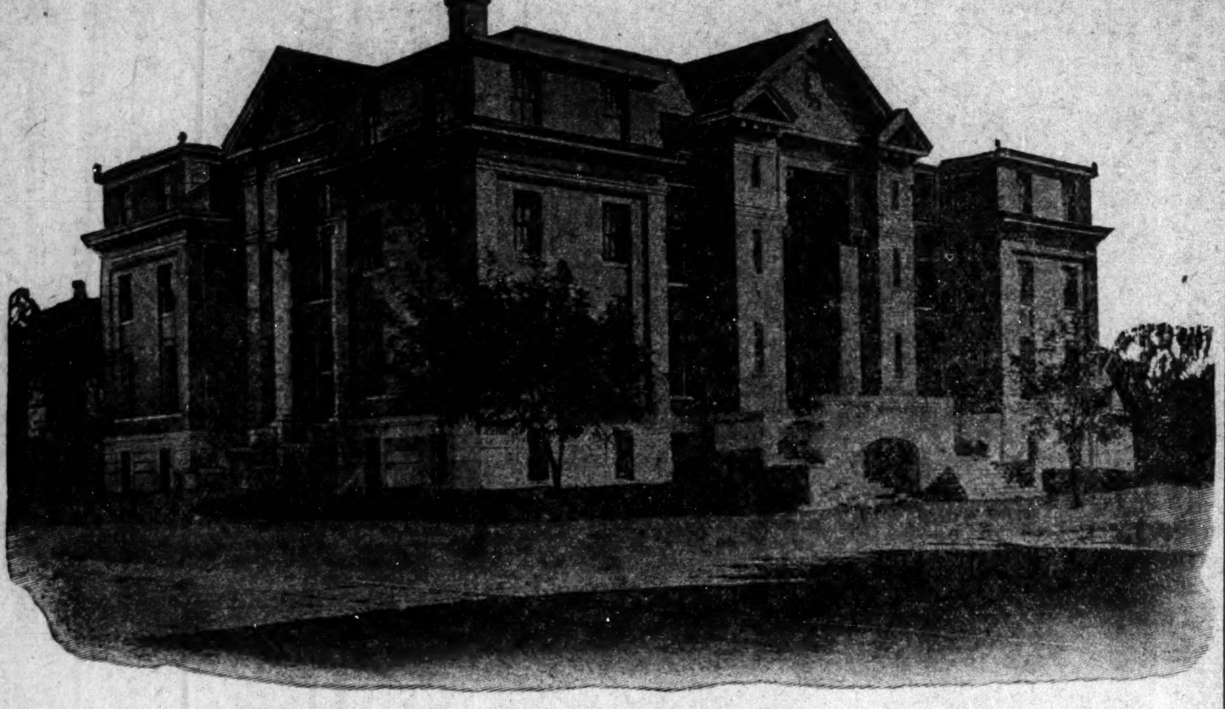

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Dear Sir—I am much pleased to know that you have bought some lots on College Heights addition here at the Capital City of the new State, and I am quite sure that with the coming of statehood, together with the street paving and other municipal improvements, that you will double your money within a short time. This town and county furnishes a splendid opportunity for colored people to make money. I am naturally interested in the people of my own race. The colored people as a rule are a success in getting their homes, especially in Guthrie and Logan county. I came here in September, 1901, with less than $200. I got a farm of 160 acres under the homestead laws and have it yet. I have bought seven farms of 160 acres each and paid for them. I will also state that at this time I own seven fine pieces of property in Guthrie, and am getting good rent for each of them. I own a cotton gin, and have a store that is worth $3,000 in cash. I am growing 200 acres of cotton this year.

We held our first State election on the 17th day of this month, and I am sorry to say that the Democrats elected their State officers. You will know that the Negro gets a square deal on election day in Oklahoma when I tell you that I was elected a member of the Board of County Commissioners at our first State election by a majority of 700 votes in this county. I want to say in conclusion that you made no mistake in buying your property on College Heights addition. It is a fine piece of land for town site purposes, and I hope to see the colored people from both the North and the South buy a home there. The next time that you come to the Capital City, I want to be sure and see you. Yours truly, S. J. FAVER.

COLLEGE HEIGHTS.

We take pleasure in presenting the foregoing letter from the pen of Mr. Faver, who, as he says, was elected County Commissioner in Logan County, in which is situated the city of Guthrie. Long since we have set forth the glories of the section over which hangs the sun as if it were its perpetual abiding place. The section is ideal from the standpoint of climate. Radiating from Guthrie and College Heights in every direction are great stretches of land whose fertility is natural, owing to the ages of decaying vegetation, and now prime for the uses of man. We mention the agricultural prospects because that community, like all beginning communities, is dependent at first on the fields. The hunger of man is first to be staunched; the stomach once cared for, man is ready to turn his attention to the arts and sciences. Guthrie has long since passed the experimental stage; it has moved up, and with it the prospects of College Heights have gone up, since it adjoins Guthrie and partakes of the same benefits.

College Heights is especially recommended to those that have in mind locating in a city that has been planned with a forethought to every advantage—the railroad, the schoolhouse, the church, and every other known convenience to modern cities. The town is beautifully platted, streets regularly laid out, the object being to make a model city. The colored people are especially solicited to become purchasers of these beautiful high ground lots. The election of Mr. Faver as County Commissioner assures the kind of people that make up the community. The town is growing rapidly. The value of the lots will greatly increase in a short while. Those having money for which they have no immediate use would do well to invest here. You can't lose. Very little per cent. is paid in the bank—4 per cent. at the most. Lots in College Heights now valued at $150 and $200 are expected to be worth not less than $200 and $250 respectively a year hence.

Bear in mind that Guthrie and College Heights are not boom towns. Guthrie has more than 30,000 people—solid citizens. Men of means are there; they have reared up banks and substantial business places. The vicinity is new; it means plenty of work for the colored man, the woman. With these very great inducements such as are not known elsewhere, College Heights will soon be known far and wide. The colored people will have matters very much in their own hands if they will act quickly. And they should act quickly, taking advantage of the very favorable opportunity. Such men as Booker T. Washington and George L. Knox have been on the ground. They speak very commendingly of the efforts of the managers to help colored people get homes. The ground is high and level; you run no risk in buying cranberry swamps according to their statements. Select your lot from the plat with the assurance that it is high and dry. Now is the time to purchase. Full information can be had by addressing Mr. George L. Knox, Freeman office, Shiel Block, Indianapolis, Ind.

ABOUT COLLEGE HEIGHTS.

Agents wanted to sell lots in College Heights, Guthrie, Okla. Lots can be secured from $75 to $200. In less than a year's time they will double their values. The lots are selling very nicely. I have been on these lots and know what I am talking about. If you want your money to work while you sleep, invest in College Heights. Agents can make up to $60.00 per week, and good hustlers can make $100 per week. I would not invest in these lots and take the time in them if it was not to the best interests of the race. This is surely the land of promise. If you do not wish to live there, it is a safe and paying investment. Write for maps, etc. I have lived too long to undertake to mislead the people. In Logan county there are over 2,000 colored people owning their beautiful homes and farms.

Write for full particulars to Geo. L. Knox, Publisher of The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

COLLEGE HEIGHTS.

The President has said the word and Oklahoma, like some new-born world that has been set a-whirling in space, is off on its mission of statehood. It has joined the great sisterhood of commonweaths, fully prepared in those things and requirements that give promise of a very brilliant future. It is fitter and better in waiting its day of eligibility. Thes low and tedious process incident to the making of most states were not the portion of Oklahoma; it sprang, as it were, from the head of the great god Zeus and was at once, comparatively speaking, ready for the race. The new State is great in natural resources, iron, coal and other minerals, that are the more useful commodities of man. Here is the virgin forests that have not heard the ring of the ax; its wilds teem with the offerings of nature—a table spread, verily; the streams that are big with the finny creation, which leap the silvery cascades as children at play. Truly here is nature's banquetting scene, and one is slothful indeed if he hungers amid this bounty. Here is the path of the sun at his best in his never-ending round—just beyond its northermost confine, the tropis of Cancer, providential in location, escaping the intense heat of a few degrees south, insuring the clime of the purple grape, the lucious melon and peach, besides the great variety of grain and vegetables known further north or south. Most happy land! Thice hapy land! Surely you have prepared a table for the oncoming generations, whose shouts of joy and peals of laughter will fill all the vale in token of gladness and content. Surely some are born great; it is so with Oklahoma.

Restlessness and discontent, in most cases, are the forerunners for good. Oklahoma is made up of those that were not willing to tbide the phlegmy old ways of the erstwhile homes; or perhaps the arux of untoward circumstances had pressed sore and hard—goading to the quick, as it were, and they sought relief; and as was said of the Pilgrim Fathers, "what sought they thus afar?" The answer was, "a faith's pure shrine." Theirs was a religious movement, strictly speaking. The movement for enlarged liberty and activity is also religious; all good moves, all good things are religious, if we will have it that way. They sought a more perfect peace, a more tranquil and congenial community whereat to work out their industrial and moral salvation. So far the god of peace has attended their ways; prosperity coming as if the thing had been foreordained. Thus those restless spirits of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Missouri and other Southern States, together with a generous sprinkling from everywhere, have unionized their zeal, ought of which the modern wonder—the very head of Zeus. The Negroes of the States cited, and of the country generally, have been no less active in contributing to the upbuilding of their El Dorado.

Amid this theatre of plenty on the bosom of this plain nestles the city of Guthrie. What has been said of the State applies to that city. In fact, more could be said of its prospects, standing the entreport of a vast section, with its vast resources present and to be; it promises to stand out like letters in relief. Here are already 30,000 inhabitants enjoying the first fruits of their industiral victory. Among these are several thousand Negroes who have been no laggards in the movement.

But it is College Heights in particular to which we wish to call your attention. It is that beautiful suburban town of Guthrie; being adjacent it will partake of the same benefits. Colloge Heights has been beautifully platted; alolwances have been made for public schools and other public buildings that are usually the slow growths of communities. Other facilities incident to up-to-date cities are already provided for, making College Heights an inducement which should be well considered. The managers are very anxious that colored people become purchasers of the lots which are selling at low prices at this time, and simply as a matter of introducing the locality. The thrift of Guthrie insures livelihood to those entering the section. You run no risk in going to College Heights. Everything is in your favor. The sentiment of the community is fair toward the colred people, insuring justice in the courts and general consideration. Farm lands are near and may be purchased on easy payments. It is the colored man's opportunity. Will he seize it, or will he let it pass? College Heights is growing, why not grow with it? For further information address Geo. L. Knox, The Freeman, Shiel Block, Indianapolis.

COLORED PEOPLE PROSPER IN "COLLEGE HEIGHTS."

GUTHRIE, OKLA., Dec. 18, 1907.
HON. GEO. L. KNOX, Indianapolis, Ind.:

MY DEAR SIR:—I have been reading what you have been saying about "College Heights," so I came to Guthrie, Okla., to see for myself.

I have been out on "College Heights," and I want to say that I wish all the good people of Mississippi could come here and buy their homes. It certainly is a fine addition to the Capital of the new state. I am writing my friends at Kellis Store, Miss., that everything you have said about "College Heights" is true. The colored people have an excellent opportunity in Oklahoma.

Mr. Knox, continue to tell the people the truth. I have met a good many of the men who own "College Heights," and they are evidently good, honest, square men. The colored people here in Guthrie are engaged in all kinds of business. "College Heights" is on a nice, high hill and adjoins the capital of the state. Every lot is high and level to build on.

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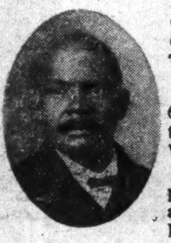

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What coin was that celebrated motto on?

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Is T. Thomas Fortune in Chicago journalism or not?

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Who is to manage that proposed colored theater in Washington?

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Has Prof DuBois sufficiently recovered to eat another Boston dinner?

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When and where will the National Negro Press Association meet next time?

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When will the Episcopal church consecrate its first Negro suffragan Bishop?

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When will Indiana's Negro leaders get a "look-in" on the national political game?

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Who is looking after the newspaper end of the National Afro-American Council?

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Will Grover Cleveland line up for William Jennings Bryan in the coming campaign?

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Why don't you send us some of that hoarded money you have sewed up in your mattresses?

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Isn't there a peculiar fitness in having Bishop Derrick in the business of uplifting humanity?

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Is it true that William Monroe Trotter and L. M. Hershaw no longer speak as they pass by?

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Isn't President Thirkield, of Howard University, proving to be the right man in the right place?

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Is Prof. DuBois to retire from the office of general secretary of the moribund Niagara Movement?

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Why not elect Dr. J. W. Bowen a Bishop at the May convention of the M. E. Church at Baltimore?

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In which political camp will the redoubtable W. Allison Sweeney be found in the impending crisis?

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What has become of Miss Ednorah Nahar, the sometime Afro-American-Spanish-Cuban dramatic reader?

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Whose business is it whether the "Wizzard of Tuskegee" has Moore or less stock in the New York Age?

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Will Tom Logan break into the "star" class next season, under the management of Hurtig & Seamon?

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Will all of our A. M. E. brethren be able to keep their religion on straight throughout the Norfolk conference?

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How much have you contributed toward the redemption of the Frederick Douglass Memorial Home, Cedar Hill, Anacostia?

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If Congressman Overstreet doesn't have to stop and think a moment before expressing an opinion on the "Knox Boom?"

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If the citizens of the District of Columbia will be broad and intelligent enough to realize the inestimable value of the services of Mrs. Mary Church Terrell on the Board of Education before it is everlastingly too late?

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Isn't it a good thing that the Methodist conferences will all be over before the presidential campaign begins in earnest?

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Doesn't the Hughes set-back in New York off-set any alleged blundering in the management of the Taft and Fairbanks candidacies?

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How did our fathers manage to get along without any such fashionable complaints as appendicitis, nervous prostration, neurasthenia, etc.?

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If there is any truth in the rumor that the Rev. J. Albert Johnson is putting in all of his spare time studying the geography of South Africa?

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When do the stockholders of Giles B. Jackson's Negro Development and Exposition Company get their 25 per cent. dividend and 6 per cent. interest?

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Why don't you hurry up and write to Prof. H. M. Browne, Cheyney, Pa., for a copy of Andrew Carnegie's Edinburg speech on the progress of the Negro?

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How many Negro journals succeed on their merits as general newspapers—unsubsidized as the organ of a lodge, business enterprise, school or some special interest?

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Isn't the administration fortunate in having at its command such an invincible quartet of political generals as Register Vernon, Auditor Tyler, Recorder Dancy and Justice Terrell?

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Will the result of the Boston mayorality fight convince the Cornhill street gang that they do not own the "Hub," nor do they control the sentiment of the real colored people of the town?

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Will Charles W. Anderson, the debonaire leader of the colored patriotic son of Missouri, the honor of seconding the nomination of Foraker from the floor of the Chicago convention?

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Why does not Editor Harry C. Smith, of the Cleveland Gazette, publish that letter from Senator Foraker, advising him to rub the fur of certain brethren the right way?

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If it be true that a failure on the part of Taft to secure the solid Ohio delegation will render his nomination impossible, why will not the same failure render Foraker wholly unavailable?

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If all sensible people have not discovered that the so-called "war" between the friends of the higher education and industrial training, was essentially a farce, cooked up for a purpose?

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Why did William Monroe Trotter, who is so "dicty" about calling everybody else to book for criticising his august self, see fit to ignore the three column attack of Prof. W. H. Ferris in the New York Age?

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Why will some of our reputable journals insist upon writing of the wives of Bishops, doctors and professors as "Mrs. Bishop," etc., when they would regard it as ridiculous to refer to the wife of a postman as "Mrs. Letter-Carrier Brown?"

WANTS OF THE NEGRO.

Industrial Pursuits Offer Him an Open Door to a Better Life.

A dead man has no need for education, civilization or political rights, and any man will die if he does not have food, clothing and shelter. Self-preservation is the first law of nature, but when the individual can secure food, clothing and shelter, the soul within him asserts itself and makes its demands. The American Negro has reached just such a stage in his career. He feels secure in respect to the bare necessities of life and he now wants to enjoy something of the life which he has preserved. He wants a home, a family, and food, clothing and shelter for that family; he wants that shelter to be something more than a mere protection from the elements, he wants it to be a dwelling place for the family he cherishes, a real home, however homely; he wants clothing not merely to hide his nakedness, but such clothing as will allow him and his family to freely move among their fellows without shame, and with, possibly, some modest pride; he wants food, not simply the bare necessities of the body, but food that will satisfy the cravings of the higher tissues which his higher life has developed. Such are the increased and more complex wants of the Negro of to-day, who but a few years ago asked nothing but a one-room cabin and bacon and corn bread and a few rough garments. There were but four millions of the race who made such modest demands, but all untrained in the ways of self-support as they were, they were driven by these natural wants into the stern struggle and have not only survived but have multiplied in number and gained elevation in the scale of being.

The wants of the free and civilized American Negro of to-day are just as urgent and as natural as were the wants of the Negro of the days after the War and the force of the instinct of self-preservation is all the more powerful because of the higher development of the race. If the Negro, untrained and inexperienced, could earn his subsistence, it need not be feared but that the Negro of to-day will make his way. It is true that the conditions under which he must gain his living are not so simple and that his wants are multiplied and complex, but it is also true that he is better equipped for competition not only by having a more insistent instinct of self-preservation but also in having greater ability and wiser leadership.

The nation can survive a few years yet without black senators, judges, congressmen, and social exquisites, but the cotton must be raised and in a thousand ways labor must be done and the door can not be closed upon an able and willing worker even if there exists a prejudice against the color of his skin or his previous condition of servitude. Industrial pursuits offer to the willing American Negro an open door to a better life than he has had and to a stage of progress which will set him nearer the full enjoyment of his rights as a citizen than the place he now possesses. The Negro will simply enter the open door and march on with the steadiness and patience with which Sherman marched to the sea. What doors may be opened to the next generation is yet to be seen, but the present generation will not falter nor hesitate but will go on until its day is done.

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James Jackson was called to Lexington on account of the death of his sister.

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Mrs. Amanda Thompson will preach at Allen Chapel every night next week.

W. E. Grubbs is in Terre Haute this week in the interest of The Freeman.

H. C. Carr and wife, of Cincinnati, spent the holidays in the city with friends.

Mrs. Phronsa Ferguson, of Rushville, is the guest of Rev. Skelton and family in Agnes street.

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W. H. Huffman, of the St. Louis public schools was in the city during the holidays, the guest of his wife.

Mrs. Allie Davidson Hunt, of Detroit and little son, Charles Leon were the guests of relatives during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. William Breckenridge entertained at whist Thursday night of last week in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Wi son McAdoo.

Congressman James E. Watson will be the speaker Sunday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. Monster meeting Sunday afternoon. Men only are invited.

Frank Parnell, of French Lick spent the holidays in the city, the guest of Mesdames Reeder in Superior street and Eleanor Van Horn in Ag es street.

There will be a meeting of the Parent' Association at the Douglass School Building at 3 p. m., Jan. 10. Matters of high import to both school and the community will be taken up.

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Among the guests were Mrs. Mollie Williams, Misses Alice and Georgia Nugent, Daisy Harris, Mary Hicks, Lucy, Helen, Eva and Mamie DuValle, Mr, and Mrs. Stephen Bell. Dr. P. Flack and T. W. Wright. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Carr and Miss Ida Nugent of Cincinnati.

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION

The public hearing on the matter of State aided industrial education, to be held Dec. 19 at the State House, is one of very great importance. The commission appointed to study State needs has thoroughly investigated conditions here and abroad, and before the Legislature acts on the commission's report and such bills as it may suggest there should be more general discussion of the matter by citizens. Massachusetts will not hold her relative rank in this country or compare successfully with Europe unless she provides another generation of artisans who combine with native skill and intelligence more thorough training than has been given them in the past.—Boston Herald.

PIQUA, OHIO

The Charles Sumner Afro-American League of Piqua, Ohio, is still waving her flag to the breeze under the many obstacles that have arisen since its organization. Criticism, skepticism and misunderstanding have all played a part, but every member has as his motto, "Every right with all thy might."

Knowing that when we are thorougsly understood, every wrong will be righted, as we have the co-operation of some of our best influential women and that is our silver lining. Keep pushing, boys, aus our league purposes having some of the leading men of the race to speak for us this winter.

Gen. R. Delaney, Brigadier General, U. R. K. of P., is to be complimented in bringing honors to Piqua. Among the members of his staff are Col. Daniel Meyers and Major John Bird of this city.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Mrs. Alcenda Bryant, who has been quite ill, is able to sit up.—Mrs. Anderson entertained a few friends Christmas. — Mrs. Henry Richards entertained a few friends recently.—Mrs. Henry Powers entertained at an excellent supper recently, Rev. E. M. Harlis.—The Christmas entertainments given by members of the A. M. E. church and of the M. E .church and of the Mt. Emery Baptist Church and the Christian church were well attended and all programs were excellent.—Mrs. Eva Moore of Peoria, Ill., was in the city during the holidays to visit her mother.—Mrs. Nancy Easley is slowly improving from her illness.—Miss Nellie M. Early entertained a few friends December 26 at her home on East Henry street. A Christmas tree was one of the features of the evening, an dwas loaded with presents for each guest.—Among the sick are Earl Carpenter, Pearlie Nevels, Mrs. Stone.—Isaac Hobbs died recently at his home in Louisiana, Mo., after a long illness. He was the father of Mrs. Joseph Wheeler and Miss Palastine Hobbs of this city, who left to attend the funeral.—Mrs. Mandy Belle and daughter visited relatives in the country.—The dance given on Christmas night at Company L hall was largely attended. Prizes were won by Miss Blanch Mallory and Oscar Williams.—W. M. Taylor of 504 South Clay avenue will start for his home in Indianapolis, Ind., about March 12.—Mrs. O. Brown and Mrs. M Bell of North Diamond street royally entertained company at Christmas dinner.

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